

## Plas Heli Cyf – “Back to Boating” Protocol – Use of the Compound for beach launch of dinghies and other small watercraft.



As of Monday 1st June, Plas Heli Cyf will open access to the compound, to members of **Clwb Hwyllo Pwllheli Sailing Club (CHPSC)**, **Clwb Hwyllo Ieuenctid Pwllheli A'r Cylch (CHIPAC)**, **Clwb Rhwyfo Pwllheli** and the **Paddling Group**, who wish to sail, windsurf, canoe or paddleboard independently.

Note: This is not organised activity but use of watercraft for exercise.

This protocol must be followed alongside the government guidance to maintain social distancing.

Please read it carefully and check for updates as the situation develops. We hope that this allows you to make the most of the facilities at Plas Heli within the current regulations.

### Please also note the following:

1. Our primary objective, in introducing this protocol, is Preventing the spread of covid-19.
2. Use of the facility is at your **own risk**. Your safety is **your responsibility**. The directors and staff of Plas Heli Cyf accept no liability for any injury/death/damage to persons or property as a consequence of using the facility. Note there are no safety boats, bridge or any organised safety supervision
3. Following this protocol is your responsibility. If this is not followed, access to the compound will need to be reviewed.
4. The definition of watercraft, are dinghies, canoes, rowing boats, kayak and windsurfers
5. This protocol should be read in conjunction with Back to Boating - Joint Task Force' Which contains links to the Welsh Government Regulations, RYA Cymru Wales Statement and the Local Notice to Mariners [here](#)

### Accessing the Compound

- Only by current approved members of the user groups listed above, and those authorised by the Directors of Plas Heli Cyf
- The gate will remain closed at all times and must be secured by combination padlock. Please read this protocol in full, if you are happy to agree to these terms, you will be provided with the combination. The gate should be secured with the padlock whilst you are out on the water to prevent unauthorised access. Please do not pass on the combination codes. A nominated representative from each club will have these details and keep a log of members that the code is passed to.



- Members accessing the compound and Hub must bring sanitiser and use before and after using the combination lock/gate handles and Hub access handle and lock. These will not be cleaned by the Plas Heli Cyf at this time.
- Be aware of other users in the compound, minimise numbers of people entering the hub, and maintain social distancing etiquette with other compound users.
- Before visiting the compound, you must inform Plas Heli via email: [access.log@plasheli.org](mailto:access.log@plasheli.org) with the names of all those visiting the compound for track and trace purposes. *(all personal details will be held and processed in accordance with Plas Heli Cyf published data protection policies)*

#### On Water Access

- No organised safety boat cover – watercraft users must be independent. Please check the forecast, carry appropriate safety equipment, and use a conservative approach.
- CHPSC recommend that dinghy sailing is carried out in groups of boats to allow for self-contained safety cover.
- Single hander sailing /rowing/Kayaking or crews from your household only. You must be self-sufficient when launching & landing, unless able to comply with social distancing regulations.
- Plas Heli main building will be closed - No access to changing facilities – please arrive changed or change by your vehicle. Bring everything you need with you and take it all away, including any rubbish.
- Launching & landing,
  - Beach launching – The mat is not currently laid.
  - Trolleys must be removed from the water and left in a safe location that does not cause a hazard to the public.
  - Hosepipes will be available to washdown your watercraft, please take care to sanitise this after use.

#### . Opening hours:

- Gate access from 8.30am to 9pm

All protocols issued by Plas Heli Cyf and additional rules from your clubs must be observed at all times. The prevention of the spread of CV19, and compliance with Government Regulation is the prime consideration at this time. Any user not following these protocols, your club rules, and Government Regulation may be subject to measures that may include immediate suspension of access to the compound, and potential cancellation of your club membership.

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