

Gwalchmai Household Waste Recycling Centre – Reopening Information

The Isle of Anglesey County Council will be reopening its Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) at Gwalchmai on Thursday, July 2nd, 2020.

Both the Island's HWRCs were closed in March due to the Coronavirus outbreak, with Penhesgyn re-opening on June 2nd, 2020.

In order to ensure the health and safety of both the public and staff at all times during visits to Gwalchmai, we have introduced the following strict conditions:

IMPORTANT MATTERS TO CONSIDER BEFORE VISITING GWALCHMAI HWRC

- Do not visit if you or anyone in your household is self-isolating, has symptoms of Covid-19 or is currently shielding.
- You must only visit if you cannot safely store your waste/recycling at home.
Only go if it is essential.
- Gwalchmai will open on Thursday, July 2nd, 2020; and will only be open Monday to Friday, 10.00am-2.30pm thereafter.
- Only cars will be allowed on site
- No trailers, vans or pick-ups will be allowed on site (even if with existing permits).
- Only one person to travel per car (driver only will be allowed access).

BOOKING YOUR VISIT TO GWALCHMAI HWRC

- Only pre-booked visits via Isle of Anglesey County Council website: <https://www.anglesey.gov.uk/en/My-Account.aspx> will be accepted
- You must have an existing 'My Account' or create a new account in order to make an online booking
- Householders will be able to make online bookings via 'My Account' on the website from 9.00am-1.00pm on Wednesday, July 1st
- Householders will be given the following booking slots: 10.00am-10.30am, 10.30am-11.00am, 11.00am-11.30am, 11.30am-12.00pm, 12.00pm-12.30pm, 12.30pm-1.00pm, 1.00pm-1.30pm, 1.30pm-2.00pm, 2.00pm-2.30pm.
- Online pre-booked visits will be capped each day to meet health and safety requirements
- Only one visit will be allowed per household during this initial opening stage
- Please ensure you arrive ON TIME – please do not arrive earlier/later than your allocated slot

REACHING THE GWALCHMAI HWRC

- There are likely to be queues at the recycling centre due to limits on the number of people allowed inside at any one time and additional checks.
- You will not be admitted on site without a valid booking reference or if you fail to meet any of the other access criteria noted above.
- Please adhere to the traffic management system and signage instructions.

ON THE GWALCHMAI HWRC SITE

- Please adhere to the traffic management system and signage instructions on site
- It is essential that you remember to observe social distancing and any other safety messaging in place.
- Our staff will not be able to help you with any manual handling (only bring items you can lift and manoeuvre safely yourself)
- Please be patient and respect the staff working at the centre at all times.

Householders will not be allowed on site to deposit their waste if they fail to adhere to the conditions of use in place.

Anglesey Council Chief Executive, Annwen Morgan, explained, “Our Waste Management team has been working hard to ensure that we can reopen our household waste recycling centres in a safe manner.”

“They have developed a cautious and gradual approach to bringing these important services back to normal – first with the opening of Penhesgyn and now Gwalchmai HWRC. The health and safety of residents and our staff remains our first priority and those visiting the site from Thursday are asked to follow the guidance in place and observe the social distancing.”

Highways, Property and Waste Management portfolio holder, Councillor Bob Parry, added, “There is likely to be significant demand for the service during its first week, so we would ask residents only to visit Gwalchmai if they cannot safely store their waste or recycling at home for the time being. Please only go to there if your visit is essential and you meet all the access requirements or visit Penhesgyn where more visits can be safely accommodated.”

“The safety of the public and our staff is paramount, and the guidelines in place should be followed at all times.”

The Gwalchmai HWRC is located on the A5, just outside of Gwalchmai on the Holyhead side of the village. It is accessible from the A55 (Junction 5).