

## YNNI A'R AMGYLCHEDD • ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

### UWCH DDEUNYDDIAU A GWEITHGYNHYRCHU •

#### **1) UK government backs Wylfa Newydd agreement**

Construction of a new nuclear power station at Wylfa on the Isle of Anglesey has moved a step closer after the UK government reached a deal with developers. The government signed an agreement with Hitachi and Horizon to provide a UK guarantee to back the financing of the proposed next-generation power station's development. The agreement is subject to ministerial approval and final due diligence.

#### **2) Project integration key to nuclear success (9/12/13)**

After first announcing a deal to build the country's first new nuclear plant in a generation at Hinkley Point, the UK government has now revealed an agreement with Hitachi for another station in Anglesey.

<http://www.link2portal.com/project-integration-key-nuclear-success>

#### **3) EU regulators to investigate UK support for new nuclear plants (18/12/13)**

EUROPEAN Union regulators are to investigate whether UK Government support for new nuclear power plants breaks state aid rules.

The European Commission has opened an in-depth investigation to examine whether UK plans to subsidise the construction and operation of a new nuclear power plant at Hinkley Point in Somerset are in line with EU state aid rules. In particular, the Commission has doubts that the project suffers from a genuine market failure.

The UK government has guaranteed power prices from the plant for 35 years.

If it rules state aid rules have been broken it could have consequences for the Wylfa Newydd project on Anglesey.

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/business/business-news/eu-regulators-investigate-uk-support-6422580>

#### **4) UK: Gwynt y Môr's 100th Turbine Installed (29/11/13)**

The 100th wind turbine has been successfully installed at the Gwynt y Môr offshore wind farm in Liverpool Bay.

<http://www.offshorewind.biz/2013/11/29/uk-gwynt-y-mors-100th-turbine-installed/>

#### **5) Gwynt y Môr Tourism Fund Backs New Tourism Venture along North Wales coast (13/12/13)**

The Tourism Fund associated with Gwynt y Môr Offshore Wind Farm is to support a major new partnership to promote tourism facilities across the North Wales coastal strip.

The £170,000 Green Links project will bring together and promote, under one umbrella initiative, a range of attractions between Llandudno and Prestatyn, linking walking and cycling opportunities, with nature reserves and other facilities.

<http://www.offshorewind.biz/2013/12/13/gwynt-y-mor-tourism-fund-backs-new-tourism-venture-along-north-wales-coast/>

## UWCH DDEUNYDDIAU A GWEITHGYNHYRCHU • ADVANCE MATERIALS & MANUFACTURING

### **1) Port Talbot Parkway and Aberystwyth stations to be revamped**

Port Talbot Parkway and Aberystwyth are among five railway stations to be overhauled as part of a £24m programme.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104462-port-talbot-parkway-and-aberystwyth-stations-be-revamped>

### **2) Hundreds of jobs at Sharp to be cut firm announces (16/12/13)**

Electronics giant Sharp is ceasing solar panel production at its Wrexham factory with the loss of hundreds of jobs.

Sharp said it was cutting 250 posts and was not renewing agency workers' contracts - thought to be about 365.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-east-wales-25403719>

### **3) Welsh infrastructure work boosted by PWLB extension**

Access to cheaper borrowing at the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB) project rate will be extended to Welsh local authorities.

Chancellor George Osborne also underlined Westminster's commitment to infrastructure spending and highlighted recent progress on the proposed new nuclear power station on the Isle of Anglesey.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104325-welsh-infrastructure-work-boosted-pwlb-extension>

### **4) Developer partners with Fred Done for Anglesey venture**

Property development company Conygar Investment Company has created a joint venture with Betfred's Fred Done to develop a new truck stop facility on Anglesey.

The JV, through Done's truck stop subsidiary Road King, plans to develop and operate the facility at Conygar's site at Parc Cybi.

It will be known as Road King Holyhead and will occupy the 14 acre site on the development site and create a 200 space truck stop and associated amenities together with ten logistical support units.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104254-developer-partners-fred-done-anglesey-venture>

### **5) Fresh plans for Rhyl's Ocean Plaza**

Fresh plans have been submitted to redevelop a 13.1-acre former fairground in Rhyl.

Denbighshire Council has received a fresh planning application from Scarborough Development Group for the Ocean Plaza site.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104222-fresh-plans-rhyls-ocean-plaza>



### 6) Delsol invests £1m in depots

Transport company Delivery Solutions (Delsol) is to invest £1m in its depots in Deeside and Caernarfon as part of plans to increase its capacity and grow over the next five years. The pallet and parcel delivery and collection business is acquiring 25,000 sq ft of land and buildings neighbouring its depot in Deeside to give it greater capacity for storage.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104162-delsol-invests-1m-depots>

### 7) North Wales councils form rail investment alliance

An alliance has been formed between six councils in North Wales and their counterparts in the North West of England to improve rail connectivity in the two areas.

The Welsh council leaders met with Cheshire West and Chester Council, Trafford Metropolitan Council, the Cheshire and Warrington Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) and the Mersey Dee Alliance to discuss joint working and ensure North Wales, Cheshire and south Merseyside are connected to the HS2 network.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104017-cross-border-alliance-formed-rail-investment>

### 8) Creu 50 o swyddi ym Môn

Bydd 50 o swyddi yn cael eu creu wrth i berchennog BetFred a chwmni Conygard fuddsoddi £5miliwn i ddatblygu parc lorïau yng Nghaerdybi ar Ynys Môn.

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/arian-a-busnes/130384-creu-50-o-swyddi-ym-mon>

### 9) AirAsia places record order for Airbus A330s

Airline signs deal for 25 planes - each worth \$239m

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/business/business-news/airasia-places-record-order-airbus-6423051>

### 10) 'Work together' after devastating job cuts in Wrexham

Sharp and First Milk blows will see more than 800 axed

DEVASTATING job blows will see hundreds of workers at Sharp Solar and First Milk axed – but hope remains that the solar industry will not be killed off in North Wales.

The Welsh Office said the UK and Welsh Governments must work together to support jobs in Wrexham after the double blow that affects more than 800 workers.

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/business/business-news/work-together-after-devastating-job-6420557>



## **GWASANAETHAU ARIANNOL A PHROFFESIYNOL • FINANCIAL & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

### **1) LeaseDirect Finance bought by Cabot Square Capital**

LeaseDirect Finance, a Flintshire-based provider of commercial finance, has been sold by Investec to Cabot Square Capital.

The sale of the business, which operates out of Ewloe, is for an undisclosed sum.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/104066-cabot-square-capital-buys-leasedirect-finance>

### **2) Flying start for Dragon Fund**

A new fund to help high-growth Welsh start-ups has been launched. The first investments are expected before Christmas and the fund's target is to raise £2m by the summer of 2014 at the latest, *Insider* has been told.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/103740-flying-start-new-dragon-fund>

### **3) Mesur Drafft argymhellion Silk i'w gyhoeddi**

Mae disgwyl i'r cynlluniau gynnwys datganoli treth stamp, tir a thirlenwi, a phwerau i fenthyg arian ar gyfer prosiectau isadeiledd gan gynnwys ffordd newydd i'r M4.

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/gwleidyddiaeth/131590-mesur-drafft-argymhellion-silk-i-w-gyhoeddi>

### **4) Ardaloedd menter: 'Angen eglurder o ran amcanion'**

Nid oes digon o wybodaeth am amcanion a chanlyniadau disgwylidig ardaloedd menter Llywodraeth Cymru, yn ôl un o bwyllgorau'r Cynulliad.

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/gwleidyddiaeth/131577-ardaloedd-menter-angen-eglurder-o-ran-amcanion>



## DIWYDIANNAU CREADIGOL • CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

### **1) Eos: Tribiwnlys 'wedi methu amddiffyn diwydiant cerddoriaeth Cymru'**

Mae Tribiwnlys Hawlfraint wedi cyhoeddi mai £100,000 y flwyddyn fydd yn rhaid i'r BBC dalu i'r corff casglu cerddoriaeth Cymraeg, Eos, am yr hawliau i ddarlledu cerddoriaeth ar BBC Radio Cymru.

<http://www.golwg360.com/celfyddydau/131433-eos-yn-cael-llai-na-10-o-r-taliadau-a-ofynnwyd-amdanyn-nhw>

## TECHNOLEG GWYBODAETH A CHYFATHREBU (TGCH) • INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES (ICT)

## GWYDDORAU BYWYD • LIFE SCIENCES

### **£9.5m Health Technology and Telehealth Fund launches (17/12/13)**

A £9.5m fund has been launched to support the introduction of new technology in non-hospital healthcare settings.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/105030-95m-health-technology-and-telehealth-fund-launches>



**GWEITHGAREDDAU AWYR AGORED CYNALIADWY, TWRISTIAETH AC AMAETHYDDIAETH**  
**• SUSTAINABLE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, TOURISM & AGRICULTURE**

**1) 208 o swyddi i Geredigion**

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Mae Dunbia, cwmni sy'n cyflenwi cig, wedi buddsoddi £7.5 miliwn yn y ffatri yn Felinfach ger Llanbedr Pont Steffan, a fydd yn cyflenwi cig i archfarchnad Sainsbury's.

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/cymru/131636-208-o-swyddi-i-geredigion>

**2) Lyon's Holiday Parks grows portfolio with St Mary's swoop**

A three-star holiday park in Prestatyn has been bought by caravan park operator Lyon's Holiday Parks for more than the £500,000 asking price.

The deal brings the total number of parks run by the Rhyl-headquartered company to eight.

<http://www.insidermedia.com/insider/wales/103984-lyons-holiday-parks-grows-portfolio-st-marys-swoop>

**3) Anglesey fish farm grant risks not heeded, auditor general finds (18/12/13)**

No measures were put in place to mitigate the risks of an Anglesey fish farm failing when the Welsh government granted the project £5.2m in grants, a report says.

The auditor general found that although procedures were followed, they were not suited to a project on such a scale.

Penmon fish farm went into administration in 2011, two years after it opened at a cost of £11.9m.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-west-wales-25417679>

**4) Bethesda caravan park allowed to open all year (17/12/13)**

A caravan park will be able to stay open all year around after a controversial planning application was approved by Gwynedd council.

Ogwen Bank Caravan Park in Bethesda applied for permission not to close for six weeks of the year

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-north-west-wales-25416991>

**5) 231 yn colli eu gwaith mewn ffatri gaws**

Mae cwmni Ilaeth First Milk wedi cadarnhau y byddan nhw'n cau ffatri gaws yn Wrecsam erbyn mis Mai'r flwyddyn nesaf.

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/arian-a-busnes/131531-231-yn-colli-eu-gwaith-mewn-ffatri-gaws>

**6) 50 jobs zip wire plan as North Wales transforms into adventure capital (18/12/13)**

AN ADRENALIN activity company says it will create another 50 jobs with plans to build the longest series of zip wires in Europe as the region bids to become the adventure capital of the UK.

Zip World opened the fastest and longest zip line at Penrhyn Quarry, Bethesda, in March - attracting 15,000 visitors in the first nine months.

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/business/business-news/50-jobs-zip-wire-plan-6416375>



## **DIDDORDEB CYFFREDINOL • GENERAL INTEREST**

### **1) Holl siopau Blockbuster i gau**

Fe fydd holl siopau Blockbuster yn cau o ganlyniad i ddiffyg gwerthiant, ar ôl i'r cwmni rhentu DVDs fynd i ddwylo'r gweinyddwyr am yr ail dro'r mis diwethaf.

Mae hyn yn golygu y bydd 808 o bobol yn colli eu swyddi .

<http://www.golwg360.com/newyddion/arian-a-busnes/131085-holl-siopau-blockbuster-i-gau>

### **2) £173m schools shake-up on Anglesey**

New plans will see schools built, some merged and others that are 'not fit for purpose' closed

<http://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/north-wales-news/173m-schools-shake-up-on-anglesey-6411962>

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