

## Port Talbot's £1.4m facelift complete

THE finishing touches have been made to the £1.4m facelift of Port Talbot Town Centre.

The outdated shop front canopy along the Westside of the pedestrian area at Station Road has been replaced with new remodelled modern straight panels of laminated glass.

Complemented by the new, modern street furniture the canopy has improved the street scene and is making the area more attractive and welcoming for shoppers and visitors.

The project has been part funded by the European Regional Development Fund through the Welsh Government.

Leader of the Council Ali Thomas said shoppers and visitors to Port Talbot are reaping the rewards of the project.

He said: "The public realm has really been brought into the 21st Century. The canopy opens up the view along the street and complements the new street furniture which was installed in September.

"The Council is committed to working with traders to make Station Road a more attractive and welcoming area for shoppers and visitors alike."



Neath Port Talbot Council secured a £2.3 million grant towards the £4 million facelift for the town centre, which includes a Commercial Property Fund that will provide financial assistance to business premises owners and tenants to improve the external appearance of their commercial premises.

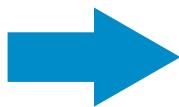
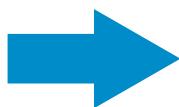
It also includes a Property Development Fund towards the construction of speculative, commercial developments.

The Leader is urging local shop owners to take advantage of the funding available to improve their properties.

He said: "I would encourage businesses and shop owners who want to improve their shop frontages and business premises to contact the Council to see if we can support them financially to undertake the work with the help of the European funded Commercial Property Fund."

**For more information on the Commercial Property Fund contact the Regeneration Team on 01639 686653.**

# Station Road and Forge Road Before and After



## Financial Support towards improving the frontage of business premises including shop fronts.

The Commercial Property Fund is part funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) through Welsh Government. Financial support is available towards improvements to the frontage of business premises including shop fronts within eligible areas in Neath Port Talbot. The Commercial Property Fund is entirely discretionary and is targeted mainly to properties in poor repair.

Support of up to 50% of eligible costs may be available or up to 80% support for properties that fall within the conservation area. The amount of funding offered however will be assessed on an individual project basis.

Eligible works include:

- Replacement shop frontages
- Replacement windows
- New signage
- Rain water goods
- Painting/Rendering/Stone & Brickwork
- Roof & Chimney

Ineligible works include:

- Routine repair & maintenance works relating to health & safety & statutory requirements, e.g. disabled access
- Works that will not make a significant contribution to the general environmental
- enhancement of the area e.g. works to elevations of a property not seen by the public



# Commercial Property Fund

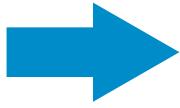
## Key Facts

- Maximum funding of up to 50% of eligible works
- Eligible works normally relate to the front elevation of the property and can include items such as signage
- Priority given to properties in poor repair

## Benefits

- Improvement to the visual aspect of the shop
- Improving your business' image as a whole
- Contributing to the quality of the street and the surrounding environment

Many business owners have reported benefits of increased accessibility, footfall and sales resulting from their improved shop frontages



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## Castell-nedd Port Talbot

### Gwaith gwerth £1.4m i weddnewid canol tref Port Talbot wedi'i gwblhau

Mae'r gwaith cwblhau wedi dod i ben ar gynllun gwerth £1.4m i wella gwedd canol tref Port Talbot.

Mae canopi blaenau'r siopau ar hyd ochr orllewinol yr ardal i gerddwyr yn Heol yr Orsaf wedi'i ddisodli gan baneli gwydr laminiedig modern, syth, newydd wedi'u haintfodelu.

Ynghyd â'r celfi stryd newydd a modern, mae'r canopi wedi gwella'r strydlyn ac mae'n gwneud yr ardal yn fwy deniadol a chroesawgar i siopwyr ac ymwelwyr.

Mae'r prosiect wedi'i ariannu'n rhannol gan Gronfa Datblygu Rhanbarthol Ewrop drwy Lywodraeth Cymru.

Dyweddodd Ali Thomas, arweinydd y cyngor, fod siopwyr ac ymwelwyr â Phort Talbot yn gweld budd y prosiect.

Meddai, "Yn ddi-os, mae ein manau cyhoeddus wedi cyrraedd yr 21ain ganrif. Mae'r canopi'n agor yr olygfa ar hyd y stryd ac yn cyd-fynd yn dda â'r celfi stryd newydd a osodwyd ym mis Medi.

"Mae'r cyngor yn ymrwymedig i weithio gyda masnachwyr i wneud Heol yr Orsaf yn ardal fwy



deniadol a chroesawgar i siopwyr ac ymwelwyr fel ei gilydd."

Roedd Cyngor Castell-nedd Port Talbot wedi sicrhau grant gwerth £2.3 miliwn ar gyfer gwaith gwerth £4 miliwn i weddnewid canol y dref. Mae hyn yn cynnwys Cronfa Eiddo Masnachol a fydd yn darparu cymorth ariannol i berchnogion a thenantiaid eiddo busnes wella gwedd allanol eu heiddo masnachol.

Mae hefyd yn cynnwys Cronfa Datblygu Eiddo ar gyfer adeiladu datblygiadau masnachol hapfasnachol.

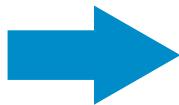
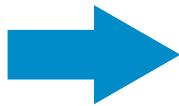
Mae'r arweinydd yn annog perchnogion siopau lleol i fanteisio ar yr arian sydd ar gael i wella'u heiddo.

Meddai, "Byddwn hefyd yn annog busnesau a pherchnogion siopau sydd am wella blaenau eu siopau a'u hadeiladau busnes i gysylltu â'r cyngor i weld a allwn eu cefnogi'n ariannol i wneud y gwaith trwy gymorth y Gronfa Eiddo Masnachol a ariennir gan Ewrop."

I gael mwy o wybodaeth am y Gronfa Eiddo Masnachol, ffoniwch y Tîm Adfywio ar 01639 686653.



# Heol yr Orsaf a Heol yr Efail Cyn ac Ar Ôl



## Cefnogaeth ariannol tuag at wella Blaenau eiddo busnes gan gynnwys blaenau siopau

Ariennir y Gronfa Eiddo Masnachol yn rhannol gan Gronfa Datblygu Rhanbarthol Ewrop (ERDF) trwy Lywodraeth Cymru. Mae cefnogaeth ariannol ar gael tuag at welliannau i flaenau eiddo busnesau gan gynnwys blaenau siopau mewn ardaloedd cymwys yng Nghastell-nedd a Phort Talbot. Mae'r Gronfa Eiddo Masnachol yn hollol ddewisol ac fe'i targedir yn bennaf at eiddo y mae angen eu hatgyweirio. asesir swm yr arian a gynigir ar sail prosiectau unigol.

Gall cefnogaeth hyd at 50% o gostau cymwys fod ar gael neu hyd at 80% o gefnogaeth i eiddo sydd yn yr ardal gadwraeth. Fodd bynnag,

Mae gwaith cymwys yn cynnwys:

- Blaenau siopau newydd
- Newid ffenestri
- Arwyddion newydd
- Cyfarpar dwr glaw
- Paentio/Rendro/Gwaith cerrig a brics
- To a Simnai

Dyma waith nad yw'n gymwys:

- Gwaith trwsio a chynnal a chadw arferol
- Gwaith sy'n ymwneud ag iechyd a diogelwch a gofynion statudol e.e. mynediad i bobl anabl
- Gwaith na fydd yn cyfrannu'n sylweddol at wella amgylchedd cyffredinol yr ardal e.e. gwaith i wella'r eiddo na fydd y cyhoedd yn ei weld.



# Cronfa Eiddo Masnachol

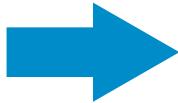
## Ffeithiau Pwysig

- Uchafswm o arian hyd at 50% ar gyfer gwaith sy'n gymwys
- Mae gwaith sy'n gymwys fel arfer yn ymwneud â blaenlun eiddo
- gynnwys eitermau fel arwddion
- Rhoddir blaenoriaeth i eddio sydd cyflwr gwael

## Manteision

- Gwella golwg y siop
- Gwella delwedd gyffredinol eich busnes
- Cyfrannu at ansawdd y stryd a'r ardal o amgllch

Mae llawr o berchnogion busnes wedi nodi manteision oherwydd gwell Mynediad, mwy osiopwyr a gwerthainnau oherwydd eu bod wedi gwella blaen eu siopau.



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