

## **Water sports licence – Expressions of Interest Invited**

### **Lower Lliw reservoir**

Lliw Reservoirs is a site of outstanding natural beauty and part of the Valley's Regional Park, one of the special character landscape areas that define Wales. It lies within an area of stunning mountain scenery, just outside Swansea. The reservoirs are surrounded by a mosaic of habitats and support a wide diversity of flora and fauna, many of which are considered rare. The site is already very popular with local people and has a café, toilets and car parking on site.

Welsh Water has a long-term aspiration to develop more sites as hubs for recreation, health and wellbeing, reconnecting people with water and our beautiful environment. Working in partnership with Natural Resources Wales, Swansea Council & Canoe Wales, a pontoon that allows easy access to water for people of all abilities and wash down facilities for biosecurity have been installed.

Welsh Water is offering the opportunity for an interested party to manage water sports activities at Lliw reservoir, for a 12-month period.

### **The opportunity**

We are inviting expressions of interest from individuals, clubs or existing watersports organisations to submit proposals to run non-motorised watersports activities at Lower Lliw reservoir

This might include: equipment hire of stand-up paddle boards, canoes, kayaks or other non-motorised water sports suitable for launching from the designated slipway; guided activities, tuition and sale of self-launch permits

### **Location**

The licence includes use of designated areas of the Lower Lliw reservoir, slipway, pontoon & washdown facilities at the location as indicated in the plan

### **Timeframe**

The timetable is as follows:

- Expressions of interest invited from Wednesday 8th June 2022.
- Questions are permitted from Wednesday 8th June 2022, email: [estates@dwrcymru.com](mailto:estates@dwrcymru.com), with: “[your company name] + Lower Lliw Water sports licence application” in the subject line
- The deadline for submissions is Friday 24th June 2022.
- Pending completion of the approval process, an operating licence could commence in July 2022

### **Hours of operation**

8am to 6.30pm (or dusk, whichever is the earliest).

### Conditions

DCWW is not obligated to accept or be bound by any of the offers received. It reserves the right to vary the terms and conditions of the opportunity being marketed.

The successful licence-holder will be required to:

- work closely with the café, angling society, and stakeholders at the licensed location demonstrating consideration for local residents and all other users
- enable access for permit holders and help manage unauthorised access
- comply with water safety advice from DCWW & National Sports Governing bodies
- demonstrate awareness of local weather conditions
- demonstrate awareness of the importance of biosecurity and water quality
- demonstrate awareness of potential hazards associated with operational reservoirs

### Requirements

Please apply by setting out your business proposal. Include any specific benefits you feel your business will bring to Lliw reservoirs. As part of your application, you must also provide evidence of the following:

- public liability insurance cover of at least £10m
- proof of relevant water sports teaching qualifications and/or membership
- Risk Assessment, Normal Operating Procedure, Emergency Plan and a Daily Risk Assessment for each activity
- number of staff members on site during operating hours and safety ratios for activities
- first aid / life-saving qualifications
- safeguarding procedures, including DBS checks

### How to apply

Submit your proposal and all supporting documents by email: [estates@dwrcymru.com](mailto:estates@dwrcymru.com), with: “[your company name] + Lower Lliw Water sports licence application” in the subject line