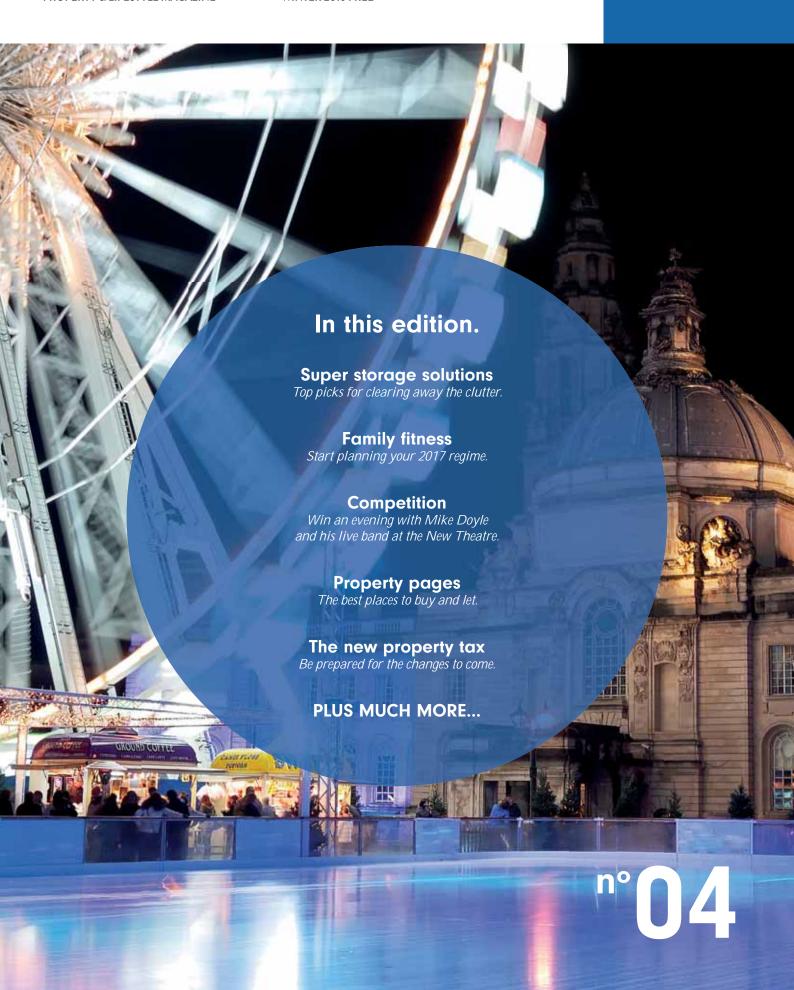
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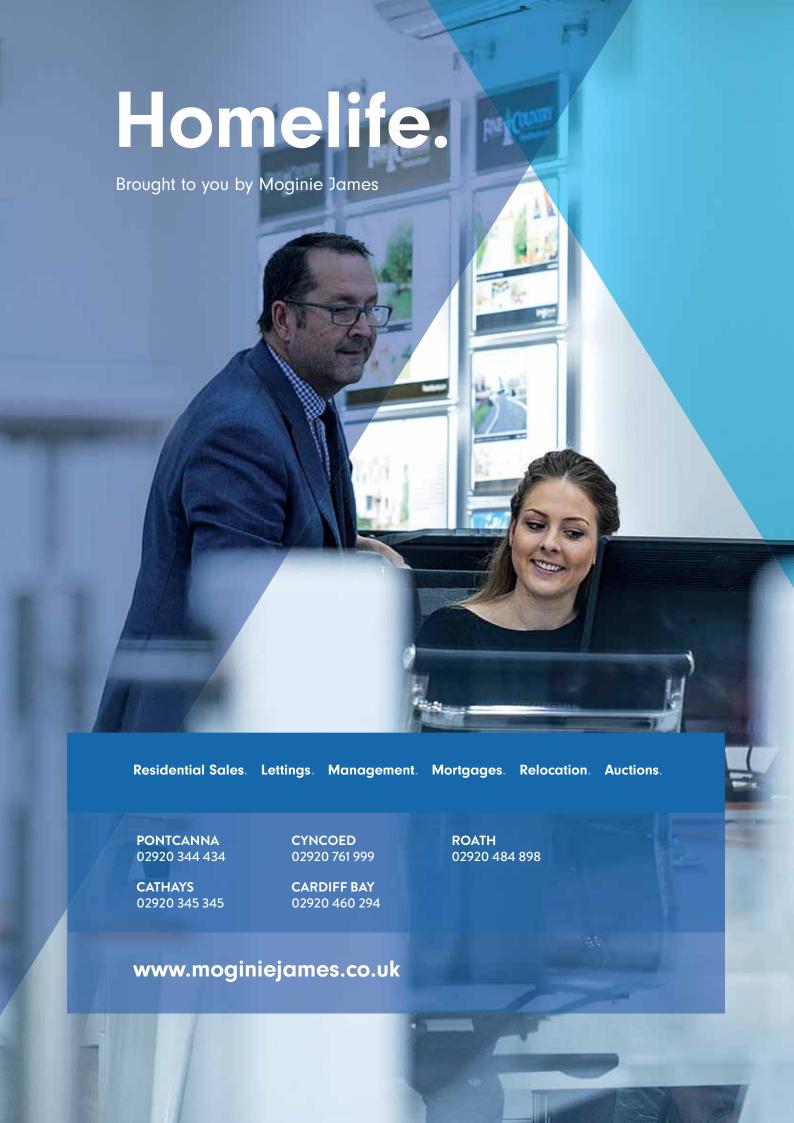
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INSIDE

Welcome to the fourth edition of Homelife by Moginie James.

In this festive edition we show you ways to keep your home cosy this winter and provide practical tips to getting fit in the New Year.

If you're one of the many people that will be making 'moving house' your New Year's resolution, then our handy guide to selling your home in 2017 will be right up your street.

We also let you know why Moginie James has been rated the 6th best estate agent in the whole of the UK and share all the best festive activities going on across the city this Christmas.

We do hope you enjoy. Please feel free to let us know if you have any exciting news or events coming up in Cardiff we may be able to include or if you would like to advertise with us. Please contact:

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A WARM WELCOME

It's coming to the end of a very eventful year, which saw some shocks and surprises. The Brexit vote and American Presidential Election both provided unexpected results causing a little uncertainty and a slowdown in the economy.

<u>It really is a massive</u> achievement to be voted No.1 estate agency in Cardiff. No.1 agency in Wales and an outstanding 6th in the UK out of nearly 11,000 agents. Apart from some minor local adjustments sales and lettings number have remained strong and for the second year running, Moginie James have ended the year with amazing Rater Agent Awards, confirming Moginie James as one of the best thought of estate agency companies in the whole of the UK.

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I am immensely proud and look forward to 2017 with confidence and optimism and once again assisting hundreds of local people to achieve the best possible price for their homes.

It is indeed humbling that so many customers feel we are the safest pair of hands for their most valuable asset.

I wish you a very Happy Christmas and prosperous and successful 2017.



"Welcome to this very festive edition of Homelife."

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NEWS ROUND

All the ins and outs of office life at Moginie James.









Happy Birthday to us!

Becoming Cardiff's leading independent estate agency and the Cardiff Life Awards' Cardiff Estate Agent of the Year 2016, didn't happen overnight – in fact it's taken us 15 years to get to where we are.

15 years of late nights. 15 years of working around the clock. 15 years of dealing with whatever the property market throws at us and emerging even stronger because of it. And, most importantly, it's been 15 years of seeing our sellers, buyers, landlords and tenants smiling when we make their property dreams come true.

We held a little party to mark the momentous occasion and say thank you to all our wonderful members of the Moginie James team.





Congratulations to our very own beauty queen, Charlotte Perkins, who recently won the prestigious title of Miss European Wales 2016/17. Charlotte has been part of the team at Moginie James for over three years and has always had a keen interest in pageants. Congratulations!



Well done to all of the Moginie James branches who together raised £500 for this year's MacMillan Coffee Morning.



We welcome three new starters to the Moginie James team; Craig Baldwin, manager of Cyncoed, Chris Hart, our new financial advisor, and Luke Trezise, our sales valuer in Roath.





LETTING YOU IN

Favourite room in your house: Lounge. It's a nice place to relax after

a busy day carrying out valuations.

What's your home style?

Modern - I like 'tidy' and 'clutter free' so the modern/contemporary look really appeals to me.

Are you hands on when it comes to DIY? / What has been your biggest DIY project?

Not at all. Biggest DIY Project? I once wallpapered a bedroom, unfortunately it didn't 'stick'.

Favourite object in your house:

Fridge — that's where the food and beer is!

Interesting fact about you:

I'm the only Welsh person in my entire family.

Favourite bit about your job:

I really enjoy meeting people and advising on the potential values of their properties. It's interesting to see how people value properties, and it's great to see amazing properties that break the 'ceiling prices' of local areas.

As a child, what did you want to Millionaire. I'm still working on it...

be when you were older?

Favourite thing to do in Cardiff:

I enjoy socialising with friends in the local bars such as the Pear Tree, Juno Lounge and Cameo Club in Penylan; they all have a great atmosphere and are great places to wind down after a busy day! We also enjoy eating out at the local restaurants and, being a lover of Italian food, two of my favourites have to be 'Il Pastificio' and 'La Vita'. My wife and I also attend wine tasting events such as 'Three Wine Men' as we do enjoy a glass or two of red from time to time!

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FEATURES.

SUPER STORAGE SOLUTIONS

No matter how big your house is, there never seems to be enough places to put things. Here are our top picks for clearing away the clutter.





Pedley 3-Tier Shelving Unit, £795.00

www.habitat.co.uk or Habitat, **Newport Road**

This large statement design in lacquered wood and oak veneer provides a strong focal point for a room. Complete with convenient cabinets to conceal clutter, combined with plenty of shelves to proudly and neatly display the bits you want seen - it has the best of both storage worlds.





Karena 4-Tier Stacking Storage Box, £35.00

www.habitat.co.uk or Habitat, **Newport Road**

This multi-coloured storage container combines good looks with a contemporary, space-saving design. Four lacquered square compartments provide storage for your smaller goodies.



Chalkboard Crate, from £5.43

www.homebase.co.uk or Homebase, Newport Road

This small storage crate is perfect for decluttering your home — particularly the kids' rooms. Be extra organised and label the chalkboards so you know where everything is.







Putty Step Ladder Shelves, £149.00 www.marksandspencer.com or Marks & Spencer, St David's Shopping Centre

A flexible, modern shelving solution for any room in your home.



Atlanta 3 Drawer Bench, £149.99 www.dunelm.com or Dunelm, Newport Road

As well as hiding away your bits and bobs, these practical drawers double as a stylish bench with a comfy seat pad.



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FAMILIES WHO EXERCISE TOGETHER, STAY (FIT) TOGETHER...

If you, like most of us, find yourself reaching for one too many mince pies this Christmas and dread standing on the scales come New Year, then now is the perfect time to start planning your 2017 fitness regime.

"Although many think that the gym is not particularly child-friendly, there is truly something for everyone. We find that younger kids tend to enjoy activities on the mat and skipping while older kids want to have a go on the machines such as the treadmill or cross trainer.

"Always ensure that you are keeping a close eye on children if they are using any of the machines and always ask a member of the gym's staff if it is safe for them to be doing so."

And what way to get fit than with the whole family?

Although it may be difficult to pry the children away from their favourite TV show or games console, encouraging kids to lead a healthy and active lifestyle at a young age will encourage them to continue doing so as they grow into adults. As well as going to the gym, there are also plenty of other fun activities that the whole family can take part in. Ball games are particularly family-friendly as they allow you to either work together or instil healthy competition by working in teams.

The benefits of exercising as a family are endless - not only does it help to combat health problems such as obesity, heart problems and diabetes, but it also allows you to spend quality time together. Cardiff Marriott personal trainer Mike Walters says: "It is great for families to exercise together and we find that the gym is a popular choice with families looking to get fit. Although many of us could think of nothing worse than running around a muddy field in the colder months of the year, the majority of ball games can be played inside, making them an ideal family activity come rain or shine.

Football and tennis are particularly popular and can all be played indoors. Once you have had a bit of practice by the time that summer comes around your family will be rearing to play in the great outdoors!



5 TIPS FOR EXERCISING AS A **FAMILY**

By Cardiff Marriott personal trainer, Mike Walters



Decide what suits you best

Trying many different forms of exercise will help you as a family decide what suits you best before you settle into a routine.

If you have more than one child, let them take it in turns to choose the activity so that everyone gets a chance to see what they enjoy doing.



Lead by example

Although it can sometimes be difficult to fit exercising in around work, school, homework and downtime, it is important that you as parents are the driving force behind your family's exercise routine.

By showing enthusiasm towards physical activity and by educating your children on the importance of health and fitness, you are instilling good habits that will last a lifetime.



Create a routine

Once you have decided on what form of exercise suits you best as a family, it is then important to create a routine. Set aside a certain night of the week for your chosen activity and make sure that you stick to it as much as possible.



Make friends

Not only can exercise help bring you together as a family; it can also help you all to become more social in general. When your children make new friends, they will look forward to seeing them when you head out to exercise, which will make them all the more enthusiastic.



Make it fun and keep it up!

Making exercise as fun as possible is key to ensuring that kids feel enthusiastic towards the idea. Making it something they look forward to rather something that feels like another chore is important and keeping it up is key!



During 2016, the **Cardiff Marriott** underwent a major investment in its health and leisure facilities and now includes top of the range fitness equipment. Visit www.marriottleisure.co.uk/club/cardiff for more information.



To be in with a chance of watching one of Wales' most popular all-round performers, simply answer the following question:

Q: On which TV show did Mike Doyle get his big break in 1988?

- A / The Voice
- B / **Bob Says Opportunity Knocks**
- The X Factor

Send your answer, along with your name, address and daytime telephone number to: homelife@moginiejames.co.uk The deadline for entries is Friday 6 January. If you're not lucky enough to win, tickets can be purchased by calling 029 2087 8889 or visit www.newtheatrecardiff.co.uk for further information.



30 YEARS OF GUIDE DOGS IN WALES

Earlier this year Moginie
James' Managing Director,
Nick James, took on Ted –
a former guide dog puppy
who unfortunately couldn't
complete his training due
to a lack of confidence.



Penny Davies & JayJay Julie Richards & Tracey Keith Barrett & Lena

Ted is now well and truly part of the Moginie James team, even boasting his own bed in the company's Cardiff Gate head office and a personal email address.

Ted was part of Guide Dogs Cymru, which has this year been celebrating 30 years of assisting blind and partially sighted people to achieve mobility and independence. For many, a guide dog is also a means of getting back into the workplace.

It was in 1986 that the official opening of the first guide dog training centre in Wales took place. Trevillian House, in Cathedral Road, Cardiff, was a specially-adapted centre that could house up to six guide dog owners at a time. Fast-forward three decades and training now often takes place in a hotel or the guide dog owner's home, where the new partnership can bond and learn how to work together.

2016 has also seen Guide Dogs Cymru move closer towards a 'Made in Wales' service as puppies are now being placed with trainers in Wales at a much earlier stage, allowing staff to determine the character of the dog early on, and match it with a suitable Welsh owner.

Jonathan Mudd, head of Guide Dogs Cymru, which has its base in St Mellons, said: "Many people who are newly diagnosed and struggling to deal with the huge impact of sight loss are not ready to consider a guide dog so, to make it easier for them to negotiate the outside world, Guide Dogs Cymru offers a sighted guide service, training volunteers and working with friends and family of people with sight loss all over Wales."

The charity also works collaboratively with many organisations in Wales including bus and train operators, universities and colleges, councils, hotels and restaurants to help visually impaired people in their everyday life.

As a charity, Guide Dogs Cymru relies on the support of people like you to fundraise, volunteer, sponsor a dog or rehome a puppy like Ted. To find out how you can make a difference call 0118 983 8746 or email Cymru-mt@guidedogs.org.uk

SO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE DOGS TED LEFT BEHIND?

Penny Davies, of Pembrokeshire, has a high-powered job as a Welsh Government-appointed planning inspector, travelling the length and breadth of Wales with the aid of guide dog JayJay. She said: "He gives me my independence. Without him I wouldn't be able to go out and do a job I love and one which gives me a great deal of pride and satisfaction.

"When I visit different sites, I make it known beforehand that I'm coming with a guide dog, and the reaction I've had has been generally positive, although sometimes people are a bit surprised. I was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa more than 20 years ago and my eyesight has deteriorated over time. I have very narrow vision now so without JayJay I'd be worried about tripping over things."

Guide dogs are also a way of life for self-employed piano tuner Keith Barrett, who has been blind since he was a baby.

"Lena is my fifth dog," he said. "You can't get too emotional about it. They are pets as well, but they're mainly a mobility aid. I work all over the Vale of Glamorgan, and if I didn't have the dog, life would be a lot more complicated.

"You forget how many obstacles are out there. I could get around with a white cane, but it's slow. I walk down the road with the dog at a good pace, and as far as I'm concerned it's a clear path."

Among them is Tracey and her owner, Julie Richards, of Llanelli. Tracey allows Julie to get to and from work as a barmaid safely and, while Julie pulls pints, Tracey settles down in a special pen, away from the bustle of the bar.

Julie has Retinitis Pigmentosa, which causes a loss of peripheral vision. She worked at a hospital for four years but lost her job soon after her sight began to deteriorate. "I lost confidence and did not want to go out," she said. "I thought I would never get another job.

"I had expected to wait longer for a match, so when Guide Dogs broke the good news, it was quite emotional. It feels as if she has always been here. People have noticed the difference in me when I am out with the dog. It has definitely boosted my confidence - I hated using a cane."

OUR NATIONAL **TREASURES**

We love being Welsh; we love our rolling hills in Radnor, our top notch shops in Cardiff city centre, the brilliant beach that is Barry Island, and of course our supreme singer, Tom Jones.

We also love talking the local lingo and as it turns out, you do too. We've helped many clients sell, rent and buy their home through the medium of Welsh, and according to the Welsh Language Use Survey for 2013/14, 310,600 people living in Wales speak the language fluently.

S4C broadcasts more than 80 hours a week of Welsh language programmes including shows like Pobol Y Cwm which regularly attracts audiences of 40,000. 103,000 of us listen to BBC Radio Cymru every week.

And it's not just those of us in Wales that communicate in Cymraeg, there's our native national treasures taking our language far and wide. It's wellknown 'Welshies' like Alex Jones and Catherine Zeta Jones who are playing a part in raising the profile of the Welsh language.

Although she has picked up an American accent since moving to the USA twenty years ago, Swansea girl Catherine Zeta Jones, still speaks Welsh when she comes home. Other Welsh speaking stars to make it big across the pond include actors Rhys

Ifans and Ioan Gruffudd, Port Talbot born, Michael Sheen, who has starred in such films as Twilight and Underworld, admits he too speaks a few words of Welsh.

More locally, One Show presenter Alex Jones – now a household name - started her career appearing on Welsh speaking television programmes. S4C was also career platform for Matt Johnson and former Blue Peter presenter, Gethin Jones. Joanna Page, Rob Brydon and Ruth Jones - all of whom speak the native tongue - propelled Wales, and Barry in particular, into the limelight with the hit TV comedy, Gavin and Stacey.

Fluent Welsh speaking singers include Aled Jones, from Llandegfan, who started learning the language when he was six years old, alongside Gwynedd-born songstress Duffy, Bryn Terfel and our voice of an angel, Charlotte Church.

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Mae S4C yn darlledu dros 80 awr yr wythnos o raglenni Cymraeg, gan gynnwys rhaglenni megis Pobl-y-Cwm sy'n denu cynulleidfa gyson o 40,000. Mae 103, 000 ohonom yn gwrando ar Radio Cymru bob wythnos.

Ond, mae rhai tu hwnt i Gymru hefyd yn cyfarthrebu ac yn siarad Cymraeg – mae ein trysorau cenedlaethol yn siarad ein hiaith yn bell ac agos. Mae 'Welshies' adnabyddus fel Alex Jones a Catherine Zeta-Jones yn chwarae rhan bwysig yng nghodi proffil yr iaith Gymraeg.

Er fod ganddi bellach acen Americanaidd ers symud i'r UDA ugain mlynedd yn ôl, mae Catherine Zeta-Jones yn dal i siarad yr iaith pan ddaw yn ei hôl i'w chartref yn Abertawe. Mae sêr eraill Cymru sydd wedi ei gwneud hi'n fawr yn America yn cynnwys Rhys Ifans, Ioan Gruffudd a Michael Sheen – a'r tri ohonyn nhw'n siarad Cymraeg.

Yn fwy lleol, cychwynodd cyflwynydd The
One Show, Alex Jones – sydd bellach yn enw
cyfarwydd - ei gyrfa ar raglenni Cymraeg. Roedd
S4C hefyd yn blatfform i Matt Johnson a chyngyflwynydd Blue Peter, Gethin Jones. Amlygwyd
Cymru - a'r Bari yn enwedig – a'r actorion Joanna
Page, Rob Brydon a Ruth Jones gan raglen Gavin
and Stacey.

Mae Ilwyth o gantorion Cymraeg yn cynnwys Aled Jones o Landegfan sy'n siarad yr iaith ers ei fod yn 6 oed, yng nghyd â Duffy, Bryn Terfel a Charlotte Church.

I drafod unrhyw ofynion eiddo, galwch Liz neu Holly ar 02920 344 434.



We may not enjoy the cold,
dark, often wet, winter
weather but with these dull,
dreary days comes an added
sense of 'home' and closing
the door behind us becomes
a blessing.



But how can we ensure our home is protected from the harsh conditions and how can we make the interior as inviting and warm - not to mention energy efficient as possible?

Boiler check - by not regularly servicing your boiler you could find yourself in hot water this 01 winter - or rather, find yourself without hot water. Ensure your engineer is Gas Safe registered and it should cost about £70.

Double glazing - stop losing heat through your windows and install energy efficient glazed 02 windows. By reducing the heat you lose, you'll not only be warmer, but save on your heating bills.

Roof - inspect the roof and replace any cracked 03 tiles - a harder to spot cause of heat loss, but relatively easy to correct.

Insulation - speak to an expert to see if you need to improve your insulation, and if you do, you may qualify for an insulation grant.

Thermostat - Turn the heating down 1°C and you'll still be just as warm, but could save up to £60 per 05 year.

Invest in some thermal insulated curtains - by replacing your old curtains with specially designed 06 energy efficient ones you can cut your energy bills and stay cosy every time you draw your curtains.

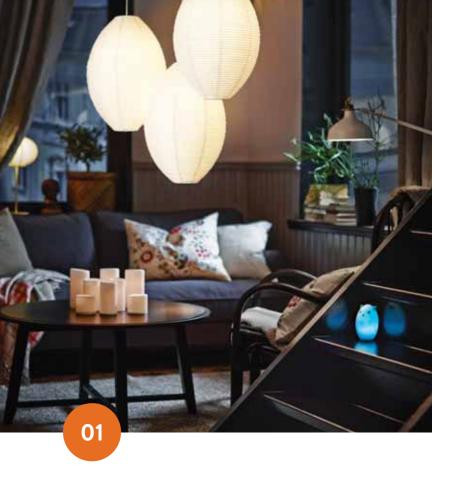
Exclude draughts - there's simple solutions for the most common points of draughts including letter box flaps, keyhole covers, chimney pot caps, strip insulation for doors and loft hatches.

Get a doormat - A simple, yet effective way at keeping mud and ice where it should be. Outside.

> And it's not just the inside of your home that needs winter proofing - your garden needs some post-summer loving too.

Bring pot plants inside - the cold and wet weather can damage the roots, so move them indoors - whether that's in the house, a shed or conservatory.

Care for your gutter - Ensure your gutters are kept 10 clear throughout the winter to avoid potentially costly blockages and leaks.





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HOME







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We don't want to jinx anything, but with the odds of a white Christmas increasing, it's good to be prepared. And that's why this sturdy, inexpensive snow shovel is just the thing to keep in your garage this winter.

Recipe Feature

VEGETABLE & CHESTNUT STEW WITH SAGE CRUST & CRISPY KALE

Bag yourself a Penylan Pantry organic veg box for some wonderful seasonal produce. Hearty vegetarian dishes fit for winter can be hard to find but this vegetable and chestnut recipe inspired by James Mackenzie ticks all of those boxes. Consisting of chestnuts, broccoli and carrots and topped with a sage crumb and crispy kale for texture, and it's packed full of nutrients, too.

INGREDIENTS

200g of chestnuts, cooked

2 carrots

1 celeriac, small

2 red onions

1 garlic clove

750ml of tomato juice

150g of purple sprouting broccoli, or tender stem

200g of curly kale

spring onions, 1 bunch

10 sage leaves

1 tsp ground cumin

100g of butter

200g of brown breadcrumbs, fresh

50ml of rapeseed oil

salt/black pepper, freshly ground



METHOD

To begin, peel and chop the carrot and celeriac into large, evenly-sized chunks. Cook in salted boiling water until just cooked, then strain and set aside.

Peel and dice the onion, then peel and crush the garlic. Heat the rapeseed oil in a large saucepan over a medium heat. Once the oil is hot, cook the onion and garlic until just starting to colour. Pour in the tomato juice and bring to the boil. Trim the broccoli into florets and chop the stalks into 3cm pieces. Add to the saucepan and cook for 2 minutes.

Add the cooked carrot and celeriac, half of the kale and the chestnuts to the sauce, then bring back to the boil. Chop the spring onions and 5 sage leaves, add to the sauce and season with the cumin, salt and pepper. Remove from the heat.

For the sage crust, melt the butter in a pan and pour onto the breadcrumbs in a mixing bowl. Chop the remaining sage and add to the crumbs. Season well with freshly ground black pepper and salt, mixing until combined.

Spoon the vegetable stew into individual serving dishes (or large one) and top with the crumbs. Finish under a hot grill to colour the crumbs.

Meanwhile, prepare the garnish. Place the rest of the kale on a baking tray, lightly drizzle rapeseed oil over the top and sprinkle with sea salt. Pop in the oven for around 10 mins at 180oc. When the end of the leaves look brown and crisp take them out and let them cool at room temperature to crisp up some more before garnishing your stew. Enjoy. This is a real Winter Warmer.

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SELLING YOUR HOME IN 2017?

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home – congratulations! Now
here comes the excitement
and, ultimately, joy that comes
with it. But for many there's also
a sense of nerves, confusion
and uncertainty, particularly if
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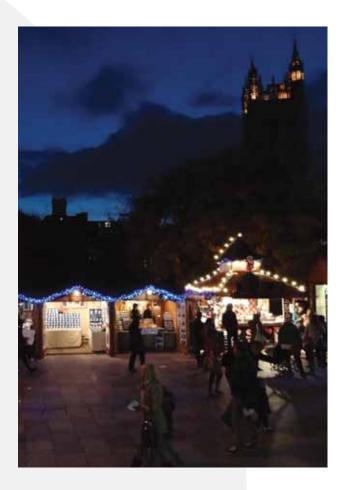
Post completion - Immediately after completion, your solicitors will account to you with the proceeds of the sale less any sums required to pay off any mortgages and fees. After completion, the buyer's solicitors will lodge the transfer deed for stamping with the appropriate duty, if any. Then all the documents will be sent to the Land Registry for the names of the new owners to be recorded with details of any mortgages.

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Keep up to date with what's happening in and around Cardiff this winter.



Cardiff Christmas Market

Craftfolk's annual Cardiff Christmas Market is set in the heart of the pedestrian area of Cardiff City Centre in St John Street, Working Street, Hills Street, Trinity Street and the Hayes. Last year saw over 190 exhibitors selling homemade, unique products as well as seasonal food and drink.

Date:

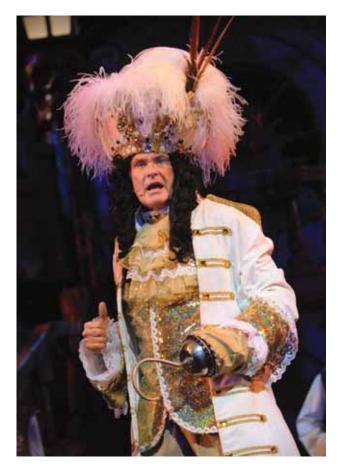
Thursday 10 November - Friday 23 December

Price:

Free entry

For further info:

www.cardiffchristmasmarket.com





The swashbuckling pantomime at the New Theatre stars none other than David 'the Hoff' Hasselhoff. With amazing flying effects, barrels of laughter, magic and fairy dust, this ultimate pirate adventure guarantees entertainment and fun for all the family.

Date:

Saturday 10 December – Sunday 8 January

Price:

£14.00 - £35.00

For further info:

www.newtheatrecardiff.co.uk



Mary Poppins

The magical story of the world's favourite nanny arriving on Cherry Tree Lane has been triumphantly and spectacularly brought to the stage with dazzling choreography, incredible effects and unforgettable songs including Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious and Feed the Birds.

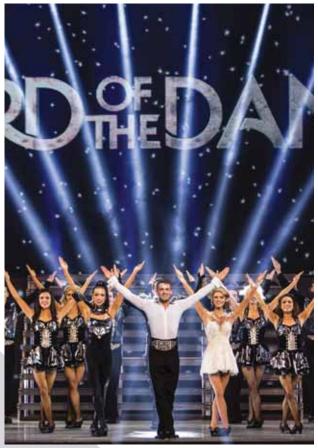
Date:

Wednesday 14 December – Saturday 14 January

Price:

£22.50 - £57.50

For further info: www.wmc.org.uk





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For further info:

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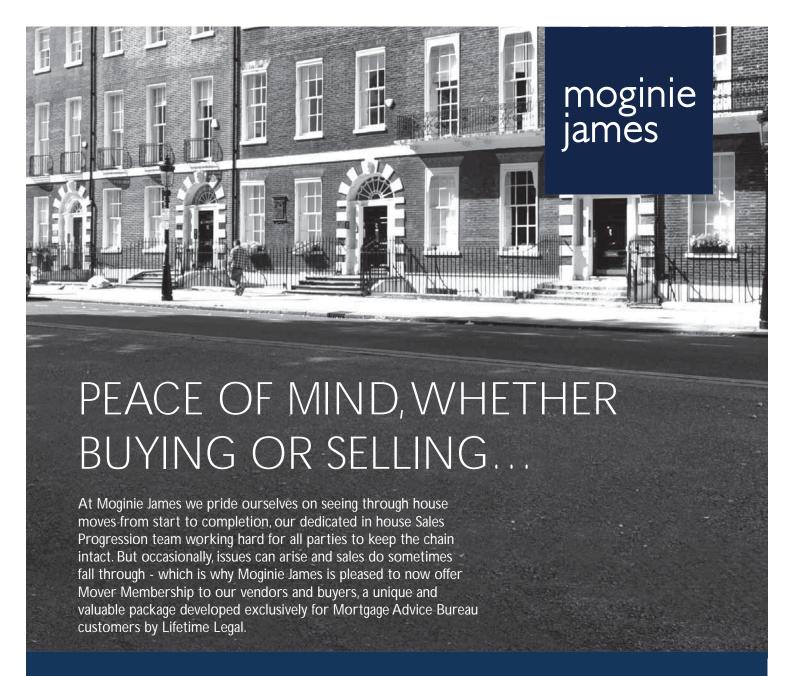
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Finding somewhere that's comfortable and spacious with all the mod cons can increase staff morale, and happy staff equals increased productivity. A high quality, well designed office means much more in today's competitive business world, particularly for public facing companies. Obviously if you're a freelancer or a startup, working from home may seem like the best option, but renting office space is an investment and may actually offset the outgoing costs. After all, it's hard to convey creativity over a conference call, express energy over email or share solutions over skype.

Modern offices are comparable to a website in that they become part of the corporate identity and how they look reflects the status of the company.

Firms today are investing in superior, attractive premises both inside and out that will firstly attract ambitious young professionals to work with their company, and also show clients and visitors that the company is the best in its field. a

Gareth Oram, Operations Manager of The Maltings,

the landmark Grade II listed building in Cardiff Bay which provide both serviced and self-managed offices, said: "Similar to a house viewing, when you invite someone into your workspace they will immediately generate a perception about your company – and those first impressions will start well before they reach your office. Was it easy to find? Was there onsite parking for them? The exterior of the building, the reception and public spaces will all impact on people. Even an address on a business card could give rise to

judgements being made about the kind of business you are, and you need your office to give you the cutting edge.

"Employees also play a huge part in selecting where you want to be based, and it is key to find the right setting for your team. If you have different people carrying out different tasks then you need dedicated space to accommodate each, and to ensure they can work to the best of their ability. For professions that require constant communication with another, open plan would work best, along with access to a break out area for impulsive brainstorming or a meeting room for when privacy is required. If your surroundings are inspiring they can instigate creative work, and, the little things about an office, like lighting and heating, shouldn't be overlooked as they can be the most crucial factors in increasing operational efficiency.

"Employees can spend just as much time in the office as at home with their families, so it's not rocket science to make sure that they like where they work.

"You don't need to pay a premium price for premium premises. There are serviced offices available with all the key requirements to make your company stand out without the high price tag. Many don't even require fixed contracts or minimum tenancy terms, so there's no excuse not to love where you work."

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HOW TO COPE WITH **VIEWINGS** WHEN YOU **HAVE A DOG**

by Ted

Not even dog lovers want to see hairs on the sofa or poop in the garden particularly on a house viewing. But without a cleaner on hand 24 hours a day, how do you pooch proof your place to ensure you don't put off potential buyers? Obviously I understand how stressful selling a house can be and wouldn't dream of making a mess during this situation, however, I can't promise my puppy pals will have the same sympathetic view. So here are my top tips for you dog owners and home owners to guarantee Rex doesn't wreck your relocation dreams:

Clean as you go - Invest in a bagless, cordless vacuum cleaner. I feel for my owner when they need to dig out the Hoover from the cupboard under the stairs, untangle the cord, plug in and unplug in every room and then fiddle around emptying and replacing the bag. Do away with that and bag yourself a cordless vacuum and hoover those hairs as you go.

Scoop that poop - I know it's not a nice job, but someone's got to do it - and I'm afraid it's not going to be me. Luckily there are lots of gizmos and gadgets to help you do it quickly and effortlessly with no mess - so there's no excuse.

Freshen up - Personally, I think I smell alright, but some people don't like 'eau de dog'. Spray and plug in air freshener in every room, particularly where we like to sleep.

And finally, be proud of your pups. Don't feel you have to hide away all traces of us (this might get a bit tedious after the fourth or fifth viewing anyway). If viewers are dog owners themselves they'll be able to picture their pet living in your home. If they're not, have faith that they'll see past the dog bed and chew toys and visualise the space as they could use it.

Happy house viewings!

PROPERTY PAGES.

CARDIFF BAY

Hot Property £535,000



This is a truly superb 3012sq ft, 4 storey penthouse in a popular gated development with panoramic views over Sully Bay.

Hayes Point is located on the coast and is set in 45 acres of landscaped grounds. This gated development benefits from 24 hour concierge, indoor pool, gym, sauna and tennis

The property starts on the third floor which has spacious entrance hall, bedroom/office, en suite and utility

room. To the fourth floor is an open plan living/dining room area which opens out onto a vast terrace with water views. The fifth floor comprises of the master suite with his and hers en suites, one with a shower and one with a bath, and dressing rooms. The sixth floor comprises of two good sized double bedrooms and en suite.

There is plenty of storage throughout the property. This apartment has three allocated parking spaces.

EPC rating - C.



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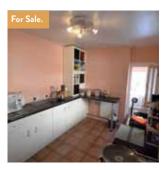




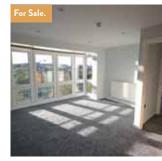
Headlands, Penarth £299,950 3 double bedroom apt. Stunning open plan living Immaculate order throughout EPC rating - E



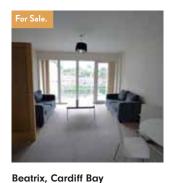
Sovereign Quay, Cardiff Bay £190,000 Sought after location Lovely views Under croft parking EPC Rating - C



Stafford Road, Grangetown £169,950 Three Bedrooms Terraced House Spacious property EPC Rating - D



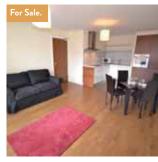
Barletta, Cardiff Bay £167,500 Beautifully presented 2 double bedroom duplex apt. Parking and visitors parking EPC rating - C



£155,000 Two double bedroom apartment Balcony with water views Good size accomodation EPC rating - C



Amity Court, Cardiff Bay £135,000 Sought after location Close to City centre First floor apartment EPC rating - B



Capella House, Cardiff Bay £129,950 One bed apartment In the heart of the Bay Close to amenities EPC Rating - C



Seager Drive, Cardiff Bay £126,999 Beautifully presented Two bedroom apartment Ideal first time buyer/investment EPC Rating -B



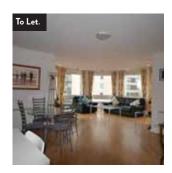
The Headlands, Sully £2,000pcm* Four bedrooms Penthouse appartment Pool, Gym and Sauna EPC Rating - C



Ocean Reach, Cardiff Bay £1,200pcm* Two bedrooms Water Rates Included Allocated Parking EPC Rating - C



Altolusso, City Centre £925pcm* Two bedrooms Concierge Allocated Parking EPC Rating - D

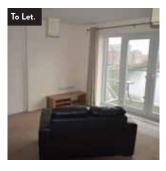


Adventurers Quay, Cardiff Bay £895pcm* Two bedrooms Gated development Furnished EPC Rating - C

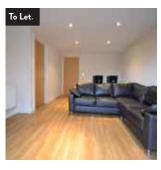


Prospect Place, Cardiff Bay £850pcm* Two bedrooms Leisure facilities Allocated Parking

EPC Rating - B



3D isis Overstone Court, Cardiff Bay £775pcm* Two bedrooms Allocated Parking Furnished EPC Rating - B



Roma House, Cardiff Bay £685pcm* One bedroom Water Rates Included Allocated Parking EPC Rating - B



Llansannor Drive, Cardiff Bay £650pcm* One bedroom Furnished Allocated Parking EPC Rating - D

CATHAYS Hot Property

£1250pcm*

Newfoundland Road, Heath

This is a stunning family home situated in a popular street close to local amenities, Heath Hospital and within easy reach of the city centre.

The property briefly comprises of living room, large open plan living/dining and kitchen area with integrated appliances, utility area, downstairs wc and lovely rear garden.

To the upstairs are three good sized bedrooms an master bathroom with separate shower, there is also a further bedroom to the attic. Available to rent unfurnished/part furnished.

EPC Rating - E



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Tewkesbury Place, Cathays £1300pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Four bedroom house Available 4th of July 2017 EPC Rating - E



Cathays Terrace, Cathays £1050pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Three bedroom house Available 1st July 2017 EPC Rating - E



Cottrell Road, Roath £825pcm*

Beautifully presented house Two bedrooms Part furnished EPC Rating - E



Cathays Terrace, Cathays £625pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Purpose built flat Walking distance to university EPC Rating - D



Mackintosh Place, Roath £1200pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Modern four bedroom house Available 4th of July 2017 EPC Rating - D



The Abode, Heath £995pcm*

Furnished apartment Two double bedrooms Balcony & allocated parking EPC Rating - D



Cathays Terrace, Cathays £815pcm*

Modern detached house

Close to city centre Fully furnished EPC Rating - C



City Road, Roath £575pcm*

Modern one bedroom flat Open plan Furnished EPC Rating - G



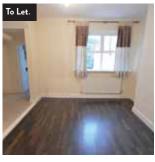
Canada Road, Heath £1100pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Four bedroom house Close to Heath Hospital EPC Rating - D



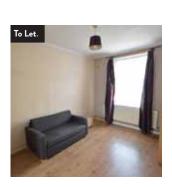
Penylan Road, Penylan £975pcm*

Spacious duplex apartment Own entrance & parking Ideal for professionals EPC Rating - C



Harold Street, Roath £800pcm*

Available immediately Three double bedrooms Modern kitchen EPC Rating - D



Blanche Court, Splott £500pcm*

One bedroom flat Ground floor Unfurnished EPC Rating - E



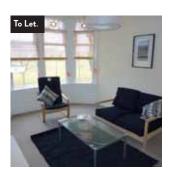
Donald Street, Roath £1100pcm*

Student Property 2017/18 Four bedroom house Situated in the heart of Roath EPC Rating - E



Ninian Road, Roath £895pcm*

Luxury two bedroom apartment Beautiful outlook Furnished EPC Rating - B



Ninian Road, Roath £675pcm*

First floor flat Two bedrooms 12 month tenancies only EPC Rating - E



Albany Road, Roath £475pcm*

Great location First floor studio flat Furnished EPC Rating - E

CYNCOED

Hot Property **£1,000,050**

Mill Road, Lisvane

An imposing architectually designed property situated on the saught after Mill Road, Lisvane. A spacious detached property benefiting from four reception rooms and five double bedrooms.

EPC Rating - E



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Cottingham Drive, Pontprennau £299,950

Town house Three bedrooms Kitchen & dining room EPC Rating - C



Woodvale Avenue, Woodvale Avenue, £475,000

Substantial four bedroom house Kitchen/breakfast room Large corner plot EPC Rating - C



Marle Close, Pentwyn £675.00pcm

Top floor flat Two bedrooms Allocated Parking EPC Rating - C



Rhydes Court, Llanishen £795.00pcm

Top floor apartment Two double bedrooms Unfurnished EPC Rating - D



Blackoak Road, Cyncoed £299,950

Semi deatched house Three bedrooms South Easterly facing rear garden EPC Rating - C



South Rise, Llanishen £499,950

Extended dormer bungalow Imaculately presented Double garage EPC Rating - D



Androvan Court, Cyncoed £695.00pcm

Maisonette Two double bedrooms Part-furnished EPC Rating - C



Marlborough Road, Penylan £1225.00pcm

Traditional bay fronted terrace Four bedrooms Unfurnished EPC Rating - D



Cefn Mably Park, Michaelston Y Fedw £370,000

2 bed ground floor apt. Two bedrooms Luxury accomodation Grade 2 listed



Denstone Court, Cyncoed £520,000

Luxury first floor apartment Generous living room Garage & parking EPC Rating - C



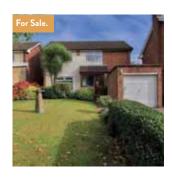
Clonakilty Way, Pontprennau £725.00pcm

Semi detached house Two double bedrooms Unfurnished EPC Rating - D



Kimberley Road, Penylan £1495.00pcm

Detached family home Four bedrooms Part-furnished EPC Rating - D



Ogwen Drive, Lakeside £374,950

Detached house Three bedrooms Renovated throughout EPC Rating - E



Llangorse Road, Cyncoed £675,000

Imposing four bed dwelling Tasteful contemporary finish Driveway & garage EPC rating - D



The Hawthorns, Pentwyn £775.00pcm

House Three bedrooms Unfurnished EPC Rating - D



Blenheim Road, Penylan £1650.00pcm

End of terrace Five bedrooms Unfurnished EPC Rating - E

PONTCANNA

Hot Property £289,950

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Clive Road, Canton

A spacious, four bedroom, traditional bay fronted semi detached house.

The accommodation is spacious and comprises: lovely entrance hall, spacious living room, dining room and good sized kitchen/breakfast on the ground floor and there are four bedrooms and a superb bathroom on the first floor.

The property benefits from many original features, gas central heating, double glazing virtually throughout and pleasant garden with lane access.

Close to Canton shopping centre and the Chapter Arts Centre and the recreational area of Victoria and Thompson park.

Must be viewed to appreciate this stunning period property.

EPC Rating - E





Wyndham Road, Pontcanna £300,000 SOLD STC

Sought after location Attractive open plan living Attractive garden EPC Rating - D



Springfield Place, Canton £185,000

Two bedrooms Semi-detached house Good size garden EPC Rating - TBC



Turberville Place, Canton £1,200pcm*

Three Bedroom House Unfurnished Garden EPC Rating - F



Romilly Road, Canton £700pcm*

Two Bedroom Apartment Furnished Parking Space EPC Rating - E



Sophia walk, Pontcanna £299,950

Two bedrooms Two bedrooms Off road parking EPC Rating - E



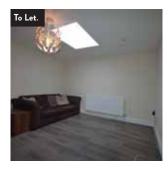
Clos Dewi Sant, Canton £165,000

Two bedroom apartment Ground floor No chain EPC Rating - C



Romilly Crescent, Canton £1,000pcm*

Two Bedroom House Unfurnished Offroad Parking EPC Rating - D



Tudor Lodge, Riverside £695pcm*

One Bedroom Furnished Close to City Centre EPC Rating - C



Major Road, Canton£285,000 **SOLD STC**

Four Bedroom Well proportioned rooms Popular location EPC Rating - E



Cathedral Road, Pontcanna £149,950

Converted period property Ideal first time buy Sought after location EPC Rating - C



De Braose Close, Danescourt £895pcm*

Three Bedroom House Furnished Garage EPC Rating - C



Clive Road, Canton £575pcm*

One Bedroom Unfurnished **Central Heating** EPC Rating - C



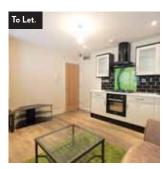
Springfield Place, Canton £195,000

Three bedroom Terraced house Double glazing EPC Rating -D



Silverton, Llandaff £135,000

Two bedroom ground floor apartment Good size living space Parking to the rear EPC Rating - E



Tudor Lodge, Riverside £795pcm*

Two Bedroom Apartment Furnished Close to City Centre EPC Rating - C



Taff Embankment, Grangetown Let Agreed £365pcm*

Studio Flat Unfurnished First Floor EPC Rating - B

ROATH

Hot Property **£825,000**

Ty Draw Road, Penylan

Situated in this highly sought after tree lined road, is this imposing five double bedroom semi detached family home. Beautifully presented throughout, this charming home benefits from a host of period style features and benefits from an elevated position overlooking Roath Park Recreational Ground and Roath Park Pleasure Gardens.

The accommodation offers a welcoming entrance hall, three generous size reception rooms, conservatory, wc, an impressive kitchen/dining room and utility room

on the ground floor, three double bedrooms, family bathroom and further utility room on the first floor and two further double bedrooms and an additional bathroom on the second floor.

The front garden offers a well presented low maintenance approach with ramp access and the generous rear garden offers a private enclosed garden and a detached double garage.

EPC Rating - E



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Ilton Road, Penylan £425,000 Four bedrooms Original style features Sought after location EPC Rating - D



Princes Avenue, Roath £360,000 Semi detached residence Four bedrooms Two reception rooms EPC Rating - D



£355,000 Three bedrooms Extended accommodation Stylish kitchen diner EPC Rating - D

Allensbank Road, Heath



Colchester Avenue, Penylan £325,000 Two bedrooms and loft room Two reception rooms Annex with two rooms EPC Rating - E



Timbers Square, Roath £300,000 Three bedrooms Semi detached Driveway EPC Rating - D



New Zealand Road, Heath £229,500 Period terrace house Three bedrooms Popular location EPC Rating - D



£225,000 Close to City Centre & University Four bed HMO Kitchen/ dining & living room EPC Rating - E

Talworth Street, Roath



Ffordd Daniel Lewis, St.Mellons £225,000 Stylish end of link townhouse Three double bedrooms Quiet cul-de-sac location EPC Rating - C



£210,000 No chain Three double bedrooms Two reception rooms EPC Rating - D



Hill Rise, Llanedeyrn £185,000 Three bedrooms Kitchen Conservatory EPC Rating - E



Cyfarthfa Street, Roath £185,000 Terraced house Three bedrooms Open plan kitchen/dining room EPC Rating - E



Cameron Street, Splott £179,950 Ideal first time buy Three bedrooms Generous rear garden EPC Rating - E



Fanny Street, Cathays £159,950 Great first time buy Two double bedrooms Close to City Centre EPC Rating - E



Pant Glas, Pentwyn £132,500 No ongoing chain Three bedrooms Good size rear garden with garage EPC Rating - D



Glan Rhymni, Pengam Green £115,000 No chain First floor apartment Two double bedrooms EPC Rating - B



Coed Edeyrn, Llanedeyrn £77,950 No chain Refurbished apartment One double bedroom EPC Rating - E

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Since purchasing the house the current owner has had it beautifully renovated throughout and an interior designer was drafted in to create a sumptuous yet refined style, very much in keeping with architectural design of the house.

Within the grounds there is a feeling of being deep in the countryside, and yet in around fifteen minutes one can be in the bustling city centre of Cardiff.





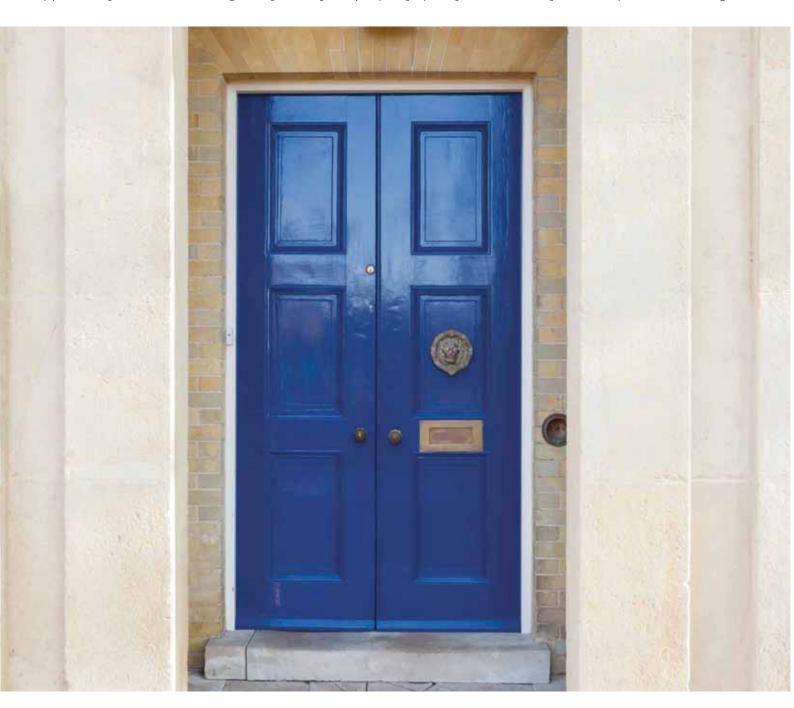






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NEW PROPERTY TAX TO REPLACE STAMP DUTY

From April 2018, Land
Transaction Tax (LTT) will
replace UK Stamp Duty Land
Tax (SDLT) in Wales. LTT will
be payable when you buy
or lease a building or land
over a certain price. The
legislation is intended to be
broadly consistent with SDLT
in its current form. Decisions
on the rate of the new tax will
be made closer to April 2018
and will reflect the economic
conditions at that time.

As we all know, higher rates of SDLT on purchases of additional residential properties, including second homes, came into effect on 1 April 2016 and these higher rates are under consideration in Wales as part of the LTT legislation being introduced by the end of the year'.

The Bill was introduced into the National Assembly of Wales on 12 September and is expected to receive Royal Assent in the spring of 2017.

The National Landlords Association has been reassuring its members that despite recent stories, last minute amendments to the Bill at committee stage regarding LTT will not adversely affect landlords, as some had at first thought.

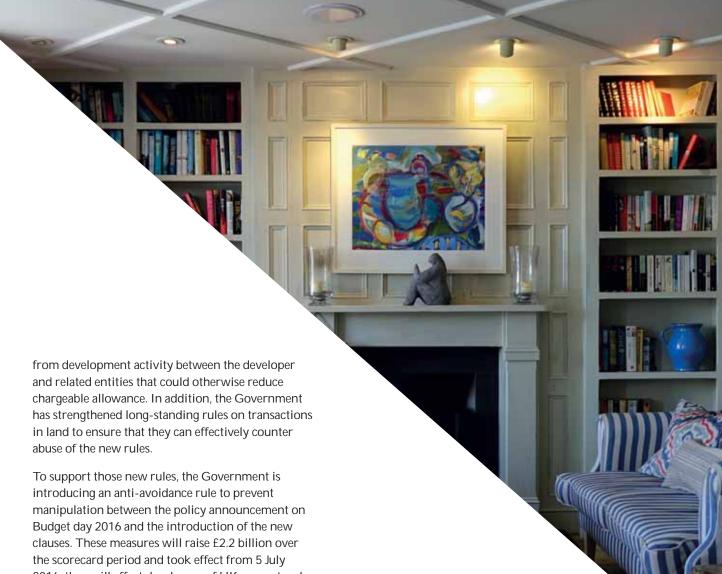
SO WHAT DOES THE NEW BILL ENTAIL?

New clauses - 11 to 17 - will introduce the legislation announced in the 2016 budget for a specific charge to income tax or corporation tax on profits from the disposal of land in the UK. The new clauses will ensure that offshore structures cannot be used to avoid UK tax on profits generated from dealing in or developing land in the UK.

New clauses - 11, 12 and 15 - will introduce new rules to ensure that profits generated by a company from dealing in or developing land in the UK will be chargeable to UK corporation tax. Those rules will apply regardless of the residence of the person carrying on the trade and regardless of whether the developer has a permanent establishment in the UK.

New clauses - 13 and 14 - will ensure that the profits generated by an individual from dealing in or developing land will always be chargeable to UK income tax. To prevent tax avoidance, the new charge will also apply where, instead of dealing in land, a developer sells shares in a company that carries on such developments. It will also apply where arrangements are put in place to split profits





2016; they will affect developers of UK property who choose to operate from somewhere other than the UK to reduce their tax bills. There will be no effect on companies, based in the UK or elsewhere, whose profits are already fully taxed in the UK.

The changes made by new clauses 11 to 17 will continue the Government's fight against aggressive tax planning and profit shifting. They will bring the UK in line with other major economies and ensure fair treatment between UK and overseas developers.

The then Chief Secretary to the Treasury stated at the time that:

"This measure is targeted at those who have a property building trade; it does not impact the tax profile for investors in UK property."

The NLA say that they have now confirmed with the HMRC that these measures are not designed to alter the existing tax arrangements between landlords and HMRC.

HMRC considers that in general, property investors who buy properties to let out to generate property income and some years later sell the properties will be subject to capital gains on their disposals rather than being charged to income on the disposal.

This is an historic milestone in the devolution of tax powers to Wales. Wales has not had control of its tax system since the 13th century when Edward I invaded Wales. This Bill marks another step towards the creation of taxes which are more suited to the needs of Wales and support Welsh public services.

This is a tax which affects so many of us. By replacing stamp duty land tax with a new made-in-Wales land transaction tax, public services in Wales will continue to benefit from the revenues raised by this important tax.

The Government have consulted widely about how this tax should work for Wales and listened to a range of views, and they have also been able to learn from the devolution of the tax to Scotland.

In 2014-15, £170m was raised from stamp duty land tax in Wales, with 55,000 transactions taking place. This is expected to rise to £244m by 2018-19.

Changes to landfill tax in Wales are also due to take place and it is possible that eventually a separate rate of income tax could be set in Wales.



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Kasim Ali

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Waterloo Tea - Founder

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What do you love about Cardiff and in particular your lovely location?

Cardiff is big enough and small enough. Big enough for you to realise your ambitions, small enough for you to have only one degree of separation from anyone in the city. Our three locations are all in places which I love; Penylan, Penarth (The Art Deco Washington Buildings) and the city centre (The historical Wyndham arcade).

What's in the pipeline for you?

We are planning on developing what we do on the wholesale side of our business, which already spans the globe. We are keen also to develop a business model that is sustainable in terms of its responsibilities to local area

Are you looking forward to Christmas? Will you have a Christmas menu?

Christmas is a lovely time in the teahouses. We have a number of events that are running in the evenings in both Wyndham and Penarth, which is now open Friday and Saturday evenings. There is no better feeling than being able to host get togethers during this time of the year.

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