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Green Flag success for nine different sites in Bridgend County Borough

Nine sites across Bridgend County Borough have been awarded a prestigious Keep Wales Tidy Green Flag Award in recognition of their excellent visitor facilities, high environmental standards, and commitment to delivering high quality green spaces.

Coychurch Crematorium will fly high its Green Flag for an impressive sixteenth consecutive year, while Coed-yr-Hela woodland in Penyfai has been awarded the Green Flag Community Award for the first time.

As well as Coychurch Crematorium, 'Full Award' status was also achieved by Parc Slip Nature Reserve, Bryngarw Country Park and Maesteg Welfare Park, which is run in partnership with Friends of Maesteg Welfare Park.

Caerau Market Garden, Spirit of the Llynfi Woodlands, Ogmere Vale Fire Station, Tremains Wood and Marlas Greenspace Community Garden have all once again been recognised with a 'Community Award' alongside Coed-yr-Hela.

The Green Flag is a nationally recognised award which is presented to green spaces that meet objectives including strong community involvement, environmental management, biodiversity, landscape and heritage and for being a welcoming place.

Cllr Paul Davies, Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment, said: It's fantastic to see that Green Flags have been awarded to so many different sites right throughout the county borough. It's worth noting that many of these locations have achieved the award for a high number of consecutive years and this is credit to the dedication of all staff and volunteers.

"It's clear that green spaces play a key role in benefiting both the physical and mental health of visitors and I'd like to encourage all residents to make the most of these valuable locations."

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Lucy Prisk, Green Flag Coordinator for Keep Wales Tidy said: "We're thrilled to see 315 green spaces in Wales achieving the prestigious Green Flag status, which is testament to the hard work of hundreds of staff and volunteers.

"To be recognised as among the best in the world is a huge achievement - Congratulations!"

A full list of award winners can be found on the Keep Wales Tidy website

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