

### January 2019?

## **Opening Hours**

Monday 10am - 5.30pm Tuesday 10am - 8.30pm\* Wed - Sat 10am - 5.30pm Sunday 10.30am - 5pm

\*Open House Evenings

### Happy New Year 2019!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! 2019 is set to be an exciting year for GALE so watch this space for updates on new projects!

We will be open as usual throughout the whole winter – that's 7 days a week and late night Tuesdays from 22 Jan! Come in for a chat, use and enjoy the centre. In doing so you will be supporting us and helping maintain year round jobs and income opportunities for local people! We will have various events going on throughout the winter, keep up to date with what's going on by following our Facebook page, Instagram and popping into The GALE Centre to have a look at our 'What's On' wall!

#### **Open House Evenings**



We'll be rustling up some meals every Tuesday e v e n i n g throughout the winter. Come along and try

some tasty homemade meals and meet some new people!

22 Jan; Chicken Curry

29 Jan; Spaghetti Bolognese

5 Feb; Pizza

12 Feb; Shepherd's Pie 19 Feb; Chilli con Carne 26 Feb; Macaroni Cheese

Food is served between 6.30 – 7.30pm and the centre is open until 8.30pm.

Please book in advance so that we know how much to make! If you have any dietary requirements we are happy to cater for these but we must know in advance so we can prepare veggie, vegan or gluten free options.

£8.75 per person for main meal. Drinks and cakes are extra.

# Public Meeting, Poolewe Hall; 15 Jan 7.30pm - What do you think about Tolliadh View Point?

With the ever increasing traffic on our roads there is growing pressure on roads and car parking in the area especially round the viewpoint such as the one Tollaidh.

The main issues here are that the viewpoint is on a bad bend and the lay by has no road markings or turning area. As a result, cars park randomly and enter and leave the layby at a different points depending on the direction thev are travelling. Sometimes turning in the middle of the main road on the blind bend. In addition, the layby is situated at a gate providing access to the common grazings meaning work vehicles mix with ordinary traffic and cars sometimes block access to the work area

Wester Loch Ewe Community Council is currently leading efforts to tackle these issues and improve the road safety around the Tollaidh Viewpoint with help from Highland Council, Pool Croft Grazings Committee, local landowners and ourselves at GALE.

Highland Councils roads team have prepared a couple of options to improve the road safety at the viewpoint and we now want to seek local opinion on them.

We have more information about the 3 different options on display in The GALE Centre alongside a comments sheet should you wish to state your opinion anonymously or just come and have a chat with us about it. We care about your opinions and we want to find a solution collectively that will

provide a safer alternative to the current situation.

There will be a public meeting to agree which options to take forward in Poolewe Village Hall on the 15 January 2019 at 7.30pm.

Everyone living in the Gairloch and Loch Ewe area is encouraged to attend and express their view. Have your say!

#### Hot water Bottles - Free!

We have had a very generous donation of hot water bottles that we would like to give away to people who may need some extra warmth this winter. If you would like one, please come into the GALE Centre and ask at the till. Stay cosy this winter <3



# Would you like to be a Member?

Membership gives you the chance to contribute and shape the future of our community. The GALE Centre is the hub for our community Development Trust — the Gairloch and Loch Ewe Action Forum. It is owned and managed by its members and anyone can join! To become a Member pop in and pick up a membership form to get started! It only costs £5 a year. We currently have over 130 members and we would love to get even more people involved!

GALE is a membership organisation open to all. It is a Scottish Registered Charity and works on social, economic and environmental projects that help to build strong, resilient communities in the Gairloch and Loch Ewe area. Become a member to support our work or contact us to find out more about any of our projects.