

PRESS RELEASE The Great Solva Mosaic Steps Exhibition

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A Night on the Tiles: The 'Great Solva Steps Mosaic' Revealed!

On Wednesday night, Pembrokeshire residents crowded into Solva's Memorial Hall to view the long-awaited results of Solva Care's latest venture – the 'Great Solva Steps Mosaic' Project. An evening exhibition displayed the decorative panels intended to grace the steps at the Pwll Melyn layby in Upper Solva.

Created by over 25 members of the local community under the guidance of artists Maddie Janes and Penny Dafforn, the beautiful panels echo the colours and patterns of Pembrokeshire's land, shore, sea and sky. This was the first time that they had been seen together – and they gave local residents a chance to view them and chat to the artists and creators.

The project – funded by the Allen Lane Foundation – is now looking forward to the New Year, when the mosaic panels will be installed on the steps with the assistance of Pembrokeshire County Council.



Local residents inspect the final mosaic panels



A good turnout and the mosaics were well received



The final mosaic panels



Some of the 'personal' projects, framed and displayed



An artist's impression of the installed mosaics



Some of the artists involved in the project



A close-up of the intricate work

Solva Care is a community-based project focusing on social care. It was set up in 2015, in response to the wishes of the local residents, to support individuals and families with a variety of services. The initiative has been extended following the success of its pilot project.

The aims of Solva Care are to maintain and improve health and wellbeing by:

- enabling residents to stay in their own homes and remain part of the community;
- offering a way to counteract loneliness, isolation and social disadvantage; and
- providing extra support for those who are caring for relatives.
- Running activities to connect the community and enhance well-being.

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