**Award-winning green spaces revealed**

**Blaen Bran Community Woodland**

**achieves coveted Green Flag Community Award**

Keep Wales Tidy has unveiled this year’s Green Flag Award winners – the international mark of a quality park or green space.

In total, 101 community managed green spaces in Wales have met the high standard needed to receive the prestigious Green Flag Community Award (83 in 2016/17).

The flag will be flying at **Blaen Bran Community Woodland** in recognition of its excellent facilities and commitment to delivering great quality green space.

The Green Flag Award scheme is delivered in Wales by environmental charity, Keep Wales Tidy, with support from Welsh Government. It is judged by green space experts, who volunteer their time to visit applicant sites and assess them against eight strict criteria, including horticultural standards, cleanliness, environmental management and community involvement.

**Lucy Prisk, Green Flag Coordinator** **at Keep Wales Tidy** said:

*“The Green Flag Award is all about connecting people with the very best parks and green spaces. Keep Wales Tidy is proud to run the scheme in Wales because we know having a good quality environment can have a big impact on our communities, health and well-being, and economy.*

*“We’re delighted to be celebrating another record breaking year for the Green Flag Community Award. The success of these sites is down to the commitment of local volunteers who work tirelessly to raise the standard of our green spaces. It’s thanks to them that we have so many fantastic facilities on our doorstep.”*

A full list award winners can be found on the Keep Wales Tidy website [www.keepwalestidy.cymru/greenflag](http://www.keepwalestidy.cymru/greenflag)