



Velindre University NHS Trust (Velindre)

Velindre introduces beehives and staff training in beekeeping

- **Trust's beekeeping initiative enhances environmental sustainability and employee wellbeing**

Introducing beehives and staff training in beekeeping at Velindre Cancer Centre has provided a unique opportunity to enhance both environmental sustainability and employee wellbeing.

Aligning with the Welsh Government's commitment to protect biodiversity, as outlined in the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, the trust's beehive contributes to local ecosystems, promoting pollination and supporting declining bee populations.

Engaging staff in beekeeping continues to foster a deeper connection with nature, recognised for its mental health benefits, and allows employees to play an active role in the trust's sustainability efforts. Beekeeping also encourages mindfulness, teamwork and skill development, providing an enriching experience for staff, who have also been raising awareness of the importance of bees for a healthy, sustainable future.