

£1.5million for Anglesey Column and Cardiff's Flat Holm Island

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A monument to a Napoleonic War hero and a nature haven which is home to a former cholera hospital are getting a £1.5m boost from The National Lottery Heritage Fund in Wales.

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The Marquess's Cottage

The Marquess of Anglesey's Column

The Anglesey Column Trust in Llanfairpwllgwyngyll is receiving £872,800 to repair and renovate the [Marquess of Anglesey's Column and cottage](#).

Erected in 1817, the Grade II* Listed column celebrates the bravery of Henry Paget, 1st Marquess of Anglesey, who lost his leg at the battle of Waterloo. The 29m-high tower was a very popular attraction for tourists and local people, but it closed in 2014 for safety reasons.

Thanks to the funding, the Anglesey Column Trust can press ahead with its plans to restore and reopen the column. This includes building a spectacular, fully accessible tree canopy viewing platform. A new visitor centre, shop and café on the site will create job and volunteering opportunities in the area.



The old cholera hospital on Flat Holm Island

Flat Holm Island

Thanks to a £645,200 award, Cardiff Council will be restoring key buildings and improving habitat for protected species on [Flat Holm Island](#).

The project will reconnect the Welsh capital city with its forgotten island by letting visitors take a stroll through Flat Holm's past. 'Walk through time' tours will explore the island's military and maritime history, its natural heritage and the Severn Estuary.

The island's old cholera hospital, laundry buildings and foghorn station will be made safe and accessible to the public. And scrubland will be cleared to allow native wildlife and plant life – including nesting seagulls and species-rich grasslands – to flourish.

On the mainland, an art installation on Cardiff Bay Barrage will mark Marconi's first wireless transmission over water. There will also be interpretation panels about the island at Penarth, Weston-Super-Mare and Brean Down.

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“Over the last 12 months The National Lottery Heritage Fund has supported the heritage sector in Wales with over £18m in funding.”

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