

## Cardigan Castle news

### 'Denying access to dungeon is batty!'

BATS are blocking access to one of the most important areas of Cardigan Castle, according to a site expert

Father Seamus Cunnane, who has conducted extensive research into the historic building, was made a patron of Cadwgan in recognition of his work at the organisation's AGM on Thursday.

He told the meeting he had read "everything written" about the castle, adding that the project had not ended now that the doors were open to the public.

He said: "The job is not finished. We are in business, but we are still far from acknowledging our aims. Unless we balance the books our project will fail."

Father Cunnane said an "imaginative director" should be appointed to secure the site's future, and more information should be presented to visitors about key historic features.

He added: "We may never enter the dungeon because of the bats, yet the dungeon is the most outstanding feature of the castle."

"Now we can never see it open. Even an archeologist was denied access."

Father Cunnane said there were ways to lawfully relocate bats, which should be explored.

"To do nothing is dreadful," he added.

"We are missing out on one of the best parts of the castle."