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Dear Colleagues,

### **Science Based Carbon Reduction Targets**

We have successfully completed the external validation process for our new Science Based carbon reduction targets. This means our plans to reduce carbon emissions are officially aligned with the latest climate science and the global goal of limiting warming to 1.5°C. This is a major milestone in our sustainability journey and provides a robust, externally verified framework to guide our future actions. You can view our public commitment, along with other organisations on the [Target Dashboard here](#).

Thank you to everyone whose work and commitment have contributed to achieving this important step.

### **Margam's Roman Villa**

Monday's [announcement](#) that the largest Roman villa ever found in Wales had been discovered at Margam Park really caught the headlines. It's exciting news in itself but there are many positives for our Discovery Centre too with archaeologists likely to be on site for some considerable time. As you might expect Centre Manager Siân and Education Team Leader Amanda will be hot footing it to the open day this weekend in their Field Studies Council capacity to find out more. Having large scale Roman remains on the site can only add to the richness of our teaching offer there, but as part of our [diversification work](#) our Duke of Edinburgh Gold History courses have been growing in popularity over the last two years. We will be making the most of this unexpected opportunity.

### **Theory of Change**

'Theory of change' is not exactly a title to set the pulse racing, but being able to articulate [our own theory of change](#) has become increasingly important with customers, delivery partners and funding organisations. Thanks to work done by Jo Harris and the Marketing team, we have been able to bring it to life in a way that clearly sets out what we offer and the multiple impacts and outcomes that it can have. This has included producing an animated version which shows how all the pieces interconnect and it [can be seen here](#).



### **New AI Working Group**

With the use and abuse of AI very much in the news at the moment, don't forget that expressions of interest to join the new group need to be in by tomorrow. Here's [a link to the form](#).

### **Welcome to Field Studies Council**

New starters at Millport this week: Amy MacLennan has joined the team as Education Support Assistant and Xander Cantellow has also joined as Casual Hospitality and Catering Assistant.

Best regards

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