

"We hope to do the same for next year's trip."

**ON YER BIKE!** Paul 'Trike' Jones hands over a cheque at the Air Ambulance base in Cae fundraising efforts

# 'Dangerous' bus stop is finally improved

**AFTER a 30-year battle victory is finally in sight for a campaigning former councillor**

Former Felinheli town and community councillor WO Jones has been battling with Gwynedd Council and its predecessors since 1978 to move or improve a "dangerous" bus stop in the village.

According to WO a councillor of 60 years standing, the stop on Bangor Street, which has a double kerb and a 10 inch drop, broke health and safety rules and was a hazard, especially to elderly and disabled bus users.

The 88-year-old had threatened to take the council to court in the past over the issue, as legislation requires all bus stops to be accessible for disabled users.

His determination has finally paid off as the council has confirmed improvement work to make the site safer began this week.

Mr Jones expressed relief that one of his battles with the authorities was now finally over.

He said: "I have won but it's been a very long battle. I have been asking the highways department for years to move this bus stop or make it safe because it breaks health and safety laws. Some passengers have been getting off at another stop further down the road because it is so dangerous.

"I've made a bloody nuisance of myself but I have managed to get it done."

A council spokesman said: "Officers from Gwynedd Council's

## Relief after a 30-year battle

By **ALEX HICKEY**

transport and street management unit have been consulting locally with councillor Sian Gwenllian as the local Gwynedd councillor, the Felinheli Community Council and others regarding access improvement works to the bus stop at Bangor Street.

"We can confirm that this improvement work, which is likely to take approximately two weeks to complete, began this week."

However Mr Jones has no plans to rest on his laurels when there are other battles to be won.

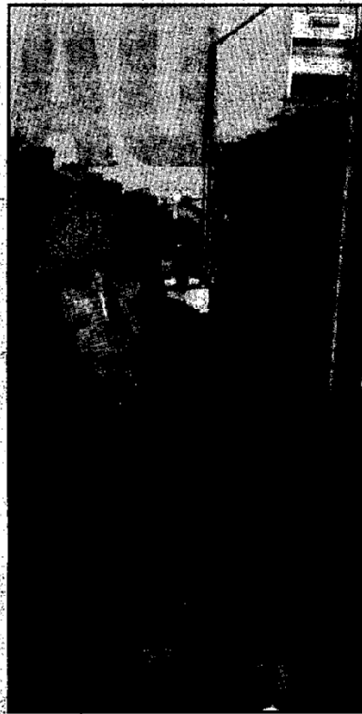
He is planning to take the council to task again over a "dangerous" stretch of Bangor Street pavement in Felinheli.

The section of pavement ruins from 57 Bangor Street to the main Felinheli chip shop.

Mr Jones tripped on some uneven paving work last month injuring his elbow and knee.

Contractors and utility companies have been carrying out maintenance work on the street.

Mr Jones has called on the council to ensure the pavement is made safe for pedestrians.



**BUS STOP BATTLE:** Former Felinheli councillor WO Jones claims victory in his fight to make a 'dangerous' bus stop safe. AR311066JS-1

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