Capel Ebenezer, Wdig: y festri/ the vestry building

The vestry building has a history which links it to Wolf’s Castle as well as to Goodwick. When the railway line was being built at Treffgarne at the end of the nineteenth century, Irish workers built the corrugated zinc building near Nant-y-Coy mill as their home and dormitory. Once the railway was complete, it was no longer needed. The founders of Ebenezer in Goodwick (Ebenezer Griffiths, after whom the chapel has been named, among them), bought the building and re-erected it in Goodwick (*circa* 1906), to be used as their place of worship until the chapel building was completed in 1927/8. The vestry building was officially opened as a chapel on February 10. 1907.

As can be seen in the planning application, the intention is to retain part of the vestry as an amenities building, keeping the vernacular materials and façade.

The vestry building has not been used for events for over forty-five years. The last event to which others were invited (friends from Tabernacl Chapel, Fishguard), was held on November 22, 1963.

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