

CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

LISTED BUILDING	YMCA Building (including 2 – 4), The Kingsway
Grade:-	II
Date of Notification:-	30.03.1987
National Grid Reference:-	SS 6504892982
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Notes:-

Large corner block on the corner of Page Street and running back to Northampton Lane.

Dated 1912, opened in 1913, later additions including Llewellyn Hall of 1920. Possibly designed by C.T.Ruthen. Restrained Baroque style.

Four-storey block in red brick and Portland stone with banded quoins. Three window cantilevered and splayed corner with clock to parapet, husk enrichments; balustraded parapets with front-ispieces to left and right fronts, dated and inscribed tablets. Four-light cantilevered bay to Kingsway, vertically linked windows; enriched oculi to Page Street centre. Windows generally with shouldered architraves, keyblocks and aprons, band over first floor, arched ground floor, sashes with small-pane glazing. Arched entrance on angle with double panelled doors. Overall cornice with volute brackets to shop front pilasters on Kingsway, right-hand doorway with colute brackets to square frame of oculus over architrave surround. Arched ground floor opening to Page Street with chunky doorcase to Llewellyn Hall. Restrained classical interiors.

Dylan Thomas played amateur dramatics at Llewellyn Hall.

References:-

“Swansea Cinemas”, exhibition at The Guildhall, Autumn 1985.