



Cyngor Tref Castellnewydd Emlyn / Newcastle Emlyn Town Council

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

held at the CAWDOR HALL on 26-01-2023 for the residents of Castle Street

Present:- Cllrs Jayne Ludgate, Allan Davies, Hazel Evans, Alan Jones, Peter Lewis, Odette Little, Dave Thomas, Maureen Webley [via Audio Link]
Residents – Louis Friedman, Claire Littleton, Natasha Littleton, Philip Wilson, Julie Nelson, Peter Walters.

Apologies – Cllrs. Barry Evans, Cefin Evans.
Patricia Murphy [for the residents]

Clerk – Stella Jones

Cllr Jayne Ludgate opened the meeting by thanking the residents for attending and informing the residents of where the project stood at present. A copy of the Ecological Survey had been sent to the group for perusal by the Clerk.

Residents raised the following concerns

- i. Questions regarding the environment – response- *further surveys would be required before any work could go ahead*
- ii. Noise Pollution – response – *there would be a time curfew for events*
- iii. Bad Behaviour of youngsters & drugs is a big issue – response – *this is something that the police are fully aware of and monitoring continually*
- iv. Would the Council consider a Temporary Structure – response – *the Mayor had looked into getting seating etc and the logistics would be very difficult*
- v. Why an Amphitheatre? – response – *Councillors were given the opportunity to bring various ideas anonymously to the table, these were discussed at length and the one that came as the most feasible was the amphitheatre.*
- vi. Strong feeling that something that would draw more footfall to the town was required – response – *it was felt that this would do that*
- vii. How would Health & Safety be Maintained – response – *there are two Councillors that are fully qualified to oversee this.*
- viii. Who was going to manage it – response – *that would be considered following the result of surveys*
- ix. Residents felt that the town would benefit of the following –
 - Community Hub
 - Economic Events i.e. Food & Craft Markets
 - Covered Area to hold events (*as is done in France*) – possibly in the Car Park
 - Youth Club

A written statement from Patricia Murphy of her concerns was read out [by Louis Friedman] on her behalf in her absence due to ill health.

Council informed residents that a further two surveys [Topographical & Geological] would be required To be carried out and that an additional grant would be applied for to pay for this work. The residents would also be informed of further developments.

The meeting terminated at 8.30pm

Chair _____ Date _____