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**Placeplan Meeting**

**26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

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**Abergele Town Council**

**PROJECT BRIEF**

*Parts A and B to be completed by a committee or sub-committee and submitted for consideration once support in principle has been confirmed by the Council.  
(Continue on a separate sheet, if required)*

**PART A:**

**1. Project Title - Pump Track**

**2. Brief Description of Project**

A Pump Park is a circuit of rollers, banked turns and features designed to be ridden completely by riders "pumping"- generating momentum by up and down body movements, instead of pedalling or pushing. A "dirt jumper" is a bike made just for Pump Tracks and natural dirt jumps. It has a rigid fork or minimal front suspension, super short chain stays and seat tube, and 26-inch(or smaller) wheels.

More traditional BMX bikes are used in Pump Parks by recreational users.

There has been much discussion in recent years about developing further activities and facilities for children, young people and active adults in Abergele, Pensarn and Belgrano.

A section of the youth have often raised the issue of a BMX Pump Park

**3. Project Aims**

(please include a brief statement to explain how this fits in with the Power of Wellbeing & Future Generations Act (sustainability), Biodiversity Duty and the Aims and Objectives of the Council.

A Pump track could have a strong impact on wellbeing within Abergele, providing a facility for exercise and social interaction. This would be particularly beneficial for younger generations where it could be seen that there is a shortage of facilities for their needs. If a cycling club of sorts could come together this would help to display a need being met.

In terms of meeting Place Plan objectives for the regeneration of Abergele the project could meet requirements of the following objectives;

- W3 – Improve Parks and facilities for Wellbeing
- C8 – Improve Pentre Mawr Park
- B15 – Enhance the Promenade area

The project could be a real feature for Pensarn Promenade regeneration. The promenade is already an area set aside from housing so the noise would not be a problem. It could connect with the north wales coastal path, providing an easy cycling link. There is ample parking which would make hosting events a possibility.

**4. Lead Member / Committee / Sub-Committee:**

Place Plan Committee

**5. Approved in Principle by the Council (Date & Min. number):**

PART B:

**6. Estimated Costs**

A very simple pump track was built in Newtown for £17k.  
Most estimates are around £100k.  
Land would need to be identified before a cost could be attached.

**7. Expected timescale for completion of project**

N/A

**8. Identify any Partner Organisations & provide contact details**

ADAG, and a local resident. A cycling group, or collection of residents willing to put their name to the project would be most beneficial for funding.

PART C:

**9. Confirmation of any Partnerships and/or Funding Received:**

N/A

**10. Confirmation of expected Project Start Date and Completion Date:**

N/A

**ATC Placeplan**

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**From:** Donna Milne [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 January 2023 17:47  
**Subject:** The Green Gele project

**Importance:** High

Dear Councillor,

I am writing to you regarding the Green Gele project and more specifically, to the proposal to install a pump track in the town of Abergele.

I am aware that within only a very short time period, a lot of positive support has been raised within and around the local community, and that support continues to grow as the concept starts to unfold.

As a Mum to a very keen BMX'er, I find myself having to travel far and wide to find such a facility (with the nearest free track being in Chester) and we often have conversations with other riders about the lack of this facility in North Wales.

I can see very few negatives to such an investment and therefore list below some of the positives (which I have my 9 year old Son, Luca, sitting with me to write);

- Excellent for fitness, health and wellbeing for all ages.
- The track can be used by different vehicles, from scooters and balance bikes to rollerblades and skateboards. This equipment does not have to be expensive and are widely available to the majority of the population.
- A great way to integrate the community.
- This facility would undoubtedly increase footfall to the town, which can only be a benefit for local businesses.
- Making new friends (Luca).
- Introducing more people into sport and biking (Luca).
- Get kids off their games and in the fresh air (Luca).
- Reduction in anti-social behaviour allowing kids to spend their spare time in a positive environment.

I do hope that this project is considered favourably by the council and that funds to support it can be found to turn this much-needed facility into a reality for Abergele and it's local community. Both Luca and I are looking forward to attending the meeting next Wednesday at the Town Hall.

Kind Regards

Donna Milne  
[REDACTED] Abergele.

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**From:** Neil pringle\_1 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 19 January 2023 14:11  
**To:** ATC Placeplan  
**Cc:** David O'Neill  
**Subject:** RE: Green Energy project Abergele  
**Attachments:** GYM-451-21-C Monitoring Form Agergele Town Council.docx

Hi Jesse.

All good here thanks, and you ?

Thoughts / comments below

Shout if you need any help

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**From:** ATC Placeplan <placeplan@abergeletowncouncil.gov.wales>

**Sent:** 19 January 2023 11:10

**To:** Neil pringle\_1 <neilpringle@cvsc.org.uk>

**Subject:** Green Energy project Abergele

Hi Neil

Hope the new year is treating well?

Guto and I are just organising how to wrap this stage of the project up and I had a few questions that I could use some guidance on if that's ok?

- 2 of the 12 community sites have had to pull out (one is shutting, the other is no longer a community space.) I did look at alternatives but we really have covered off every other community building that's appropriate. If we don't carry out those assessments do we simply return the funding or is it more complex than that?
  - Well we are working on the frontline so things change. It is what it is. No problem. 10 out of 12 is a good result !
  - Do you / Guto have need for any other expenditure associated with this phase. If yes a 3-4 line statement explaining what / why and cost
  - If not and we've completed the project we need to
    1. prepare a brief project expenditure sheet outlining expenditure with invoices from Guto / timesheets for services etc
    2. Highlight total spend and then underspend to be returned
    3. Send that through once you have completed the attached Monitoring Form
    4. We will then arrange for you to return the underspend by BACS (I've copied Dave our Finance Officer into this for info)
- We are aiming to have a Q&A with the groups that have had their assessment to see what actions they require assistance with. I know we have spoken about this project having another phase to help the community groups install some of the measures. Do you know if CVSC and Gwynt Y Mor would still be open to an application for another stage?
  - Q&A – excellent wrap up idea
  - Yes with Your / Guto's help I would be very keen for organisations to submit bids to improve efficiency and reduce running costs. Depending on the overall cost x 10 possible buildings we might need to think about a phased programme. No guarantees of course , but at this stage I would encourage you to invite the groups to prepare bids to GYM based on Guto's recommendations. – Hope that makes sense
- Do you have a template reporting form to capture the work that has been done?

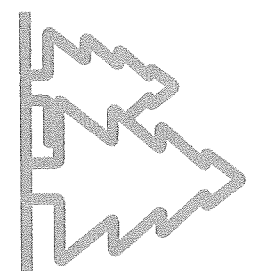


**Potential Queens Jubilee  
Micro Woodland sites**

- 1. Pentre Mawr Park willow tunnel**
- 2. St Michael's Biodiversity hedge  
- contact John Dolan**
- 3. St George's Biodiversity Playground**

**Tree species and quantities**

- 1. Willow - 300, west wales willow**
  - 2. Mixed native hedge - 100**
  - 3. Willow - 200**
- Mixed native hedge - 100**



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**From:** Matthew Stowe [redacted]@conwy.org>  
**Sent:** 19 January 2023 13:52  
**To:** ATC Placeplan  
**Subject:** Project confirmation - landowner permission

Hi Jesse

I've presented our project internally to Cartrefi Conwy Executive Leadership Team and am pleased to confirm we have their approval to proceed.

I can also confirm that all areas on the plan designated for tree planting is under Cartrefi Conwy ownership, and that following completion of the project, Cartrefi Conwy will assume responsibility for ongoing maintenance as part of our cyclical tree maintenance programme.

I look forward to working together on the planting days.

Kind regards

Matt

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