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Placeplan Meeting

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Cyngor Tref Abergele Town Council

MINUTES

The Task and Finish meeting of the Council was held on Monday, February 3rd, 2025 at 6.45pm in person

Attendance Register

Cllr D. Fetherstonhaugh; Cllr P Fletcher; Cllr A Hunter; Cllr J Jones; Cllr S Jones-Roberts; Cllr T Jones; Cllr P Luckock; Cllr N Williams; Cllr A Williamson; Cllr A Wood

Apologies

Cllr T Brennan; Cllr M Davies; Cllr D Green; Cllr C McCoubrey

Absence with no apologies

Cllr P Heap-Williams; K Yarwood

Agenda

The Officer provided an overview of the Beach of Dreams progress to date including four "Calls to Action" on QRBoxx

- "Let us Know if you would like to participate in the Walk",
- "Let us Know what you are already doing to care for our coast",
- "Contribute to our digital gallery"
- "Make a Climate Pledge" (via WG climate action).

The group asked about the plans for the UK-wide coastal walk, and the Officer explained that Bay of Colwyn Town Council was the lead on this, with the art installation of pennants taking place on May 10th (or 11th) on the beach, in conjunction with the Prom Xtra weekend.

She further explained that Events Conwy, who was managing Prom Xtra, was also supporting Bay of Colwyn Town Council, as the lead partner with Beach of Dreams for North Wales, so the events would run in tandem. She explained that Abergele Town Council had been invited to host an informational stand at the event, so the Officer would likely be there on that date.

The group discussed the logistics of the walk, in terms of distance, timings, whether a relay was possible, and potential participants, such as the Running group.

The group also asked about plans for activities at Pensarn beach on the day of the walk, and the Officer explained that she had envisioned free, low-key, family-friendly activities on the promenade, to bring people down to the beach, to see off the walkers. She explained she had used the Gwenafanc story to link into Beach of Dreams when working with the children, and she hoped to work with Men's Shed to create "dragon scales" for children to paint. The group also suggested linking in with Tesco, and borrowing a gazebo, and putting on a range of activities, including painting stones, as well as entertainment such as the one that was used at the Children's Fayre. The



Officer thought this was a lovely idea but also reminded the group also that she would be at the information stand in the Bay, and the Deputy Clerk's events schedule was full, so it was suggested by Members that they as a group, could run the activities at Pensarn Beach on the day.

The Officer then provided an overview of the process for creating the batik hand-dyed silks and showed images of previously created pennants.

Members were invited to contribute ideas, and worked to complete the memory gathering forms, as well as completing tracing and pencil drawings using printed images and canvasses brought in by a Member, for inspiration. Members shared these with the Officer for use in the submission to Beach of Dreams' resident artists and shared and / or uploaded images to QRBoxx for the digital gallery.

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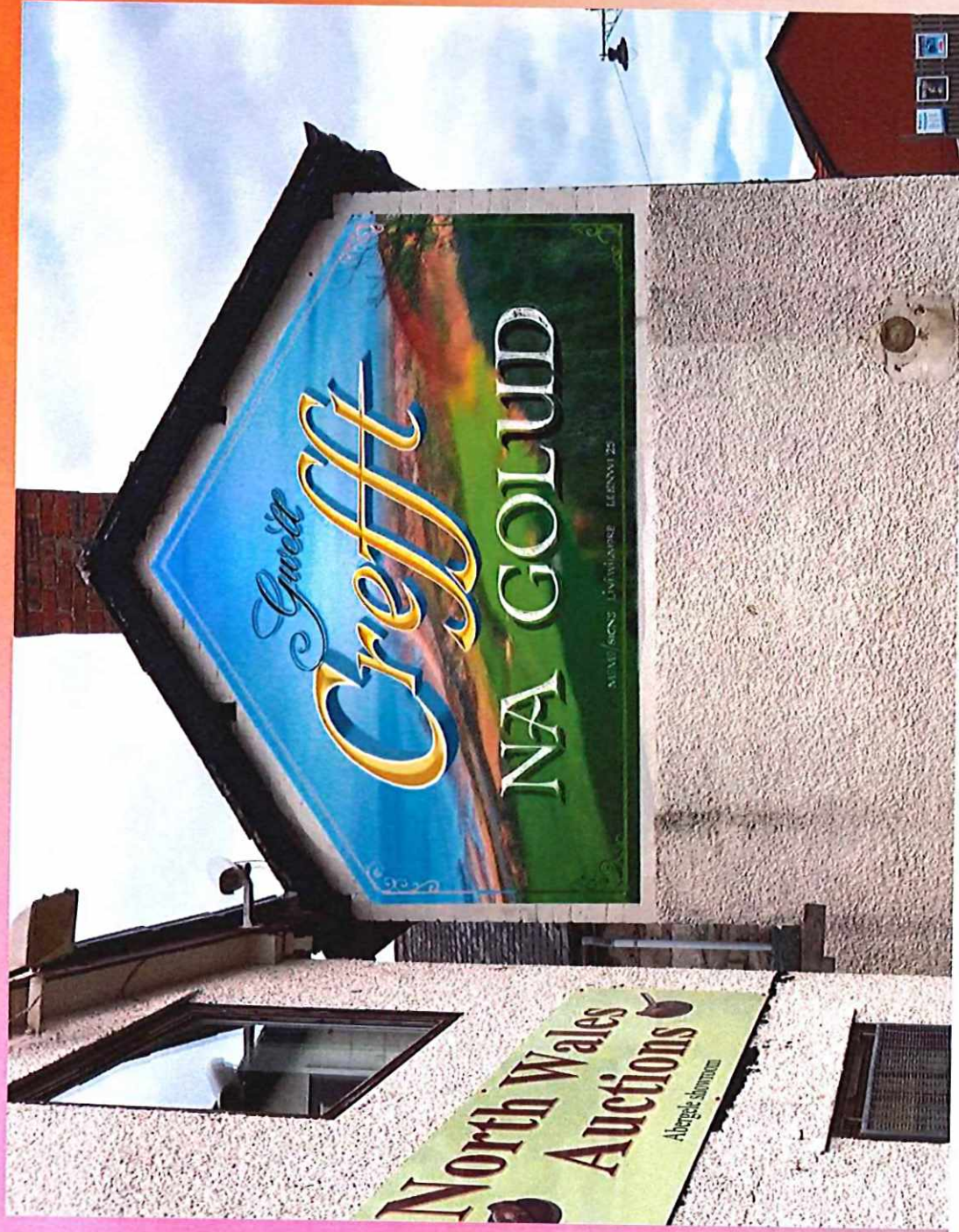
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Signed

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(Chairperson)

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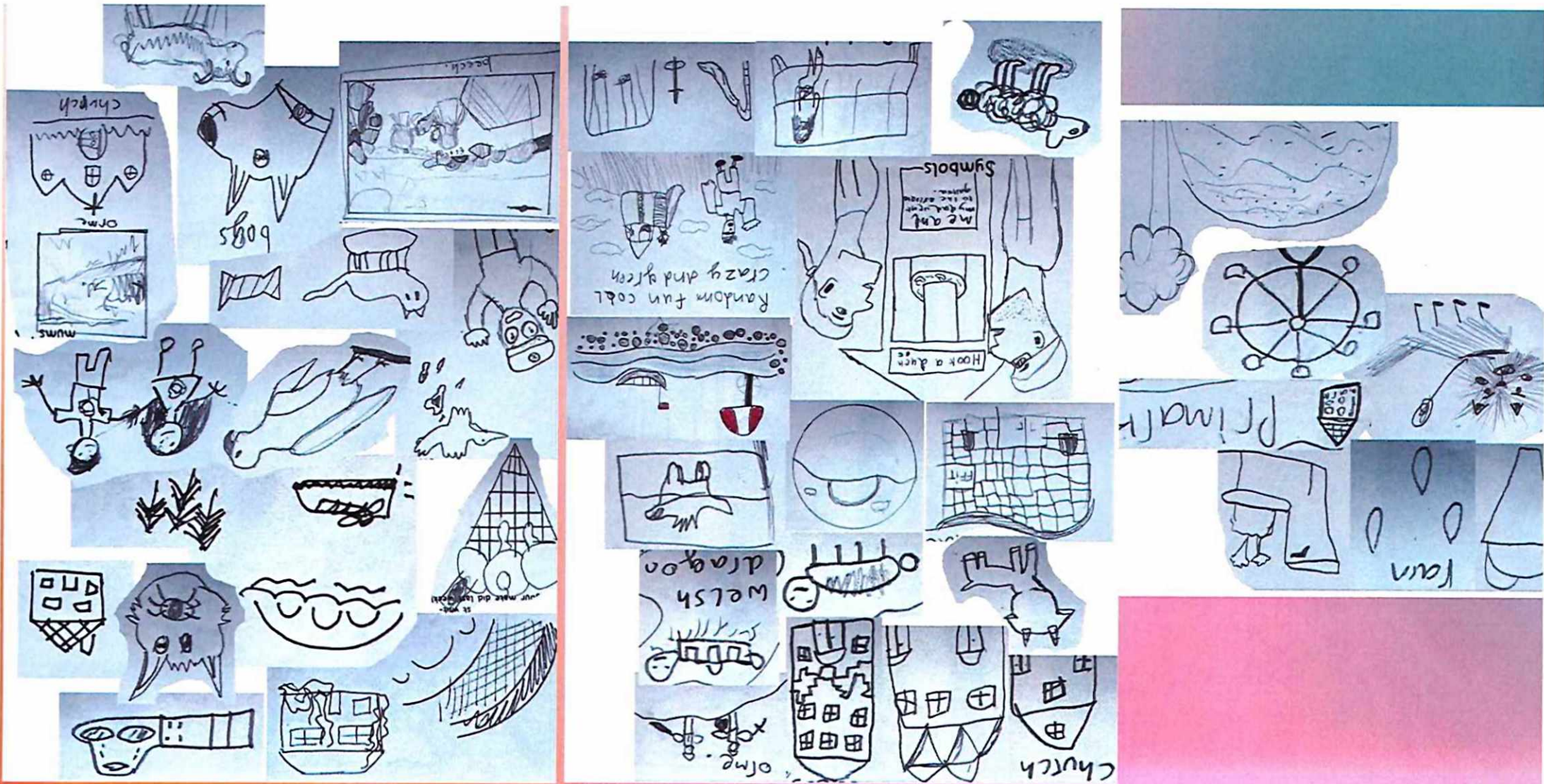
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A waterfall coming down from the mural into a "river" the users would then be standing in. The key thing showcased here will be the symbols created by school kids, as stone carvings/ cave paintings that users can "rub away moss" to reveal.



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Eryl Prys Jones
Swyddog Prosiect y Glannau (Sir Ddinbych a Chonwy)
Project Officer for Coastal Sir Ddinbych & Conwy

To Whom it may concern,

Re: Letter of Support

Further to your email dated 9th February 2025; I write to confirm that members of Abergele Town Council fully support the Ysgol Berfformio Welsh Medium Performance Club/School, benefitting the children and young people of Abergele, and being the first club of its kind locally.

They consider that being able to offer a club of this kind would allow a host of creative opportunities for the young people of Abergele and in doing so, promoting and normalising the Welsh language via the performing arts.

Securing grant funding would be vital in ensuring the club's ability to continue its outstanding work, covering essential running costs and safeguarding its future.

Yours sincerely

Mandy Evans
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Nick Roberts
Scout Leader
Abergele 1st (St Michael's)

To Whom it may concern,

Re: Letter of Support

Further to your email dated 20th February 2025; I write to confirm that members of Abergele Town Council fully support The 1st Abergele Scouts Group in their grant funding application. Not only does this building benefit a large number of children and young people of Abergele who attend various clubs and groups in the building, the building is also used as a polling station and is a valued building in the town.

Securing grant funding would be vital in ensuring the building can continue to be extensively used and will future-proof the building's efficiency and environmental footprint.

Yours sincerely

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By Email: abergeleaction@gmail.com

Linda Tavernor
Funding and Finance Manager
Abergele Action
To Whom it may concern,

Re: Letter of Support

Further to your email dated 14th February 2025; I write to confirm that members of Abergele Town Council fully supports Abergele Action in their grant funding application.

Abergele Action since its inception in 2001 has been invaluable in the help and support offered to some of the most deprived areas, helping people experiencing poverty, discrimination and social exclusion, to name a few. Last year alone their services which have continued to grow year on year, help an estimated 8352 people from our local communities.

A Strategic Operations Officer would allow the services and support offered by Abergele Action, including their most recent project 'The Hive', which runs five days a week to continue and grow with the increasing numbers requiring their services and meet the demand and need for these vital services provided in a safe and inclusive environment.

Yours sincerely

Mandy Evans
Town Clerk

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Local Area Forum - East

Wednesday, 22 January 2025 at 5.30 pm

Virtual Meeting

PRESENT

Councillor Alan Hunter
Councillor Paul Luckock
Councillor Charlie McCoubrey,
Councillor Bernice McLoughlin
Councillor Kay Redhead **Vice-Chair**
Councillor Michael Smith **Chair**
Councillor Nigel Smith
Councillor Andrew Wood

IN ATTENDANCE

Owen Conry, Helen Jackson, Huw McKee, Geraint Williams, Sarah Murphy (Cartrefi Conwy), David Lowe (Cartrefi Conwy), Abigail Pilling (Place Plan Officer, Abergele Town Council)

ACTION

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from the Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland.

Members expressed disappointment regarding the non-attendance of the Strategic Planning Policy Manager at the last scheduled meetings, noting that this should be raised by the Project Lead Officer for the forum.

2. **Declarations of Interest: Code of Local Government Conduct**

Councillor Kay Redhead declared an interest in Agenda Item 6 Abergele Western Gateway (Regeneration Project) due to being a member at Cartrefi Conwy Board. As the interest was not prejudicial, Councillor Redhead remained in the meeting whilst the item was discussed.

Councillors Kay Redhead, Charlie McCoubrey and Paul Luckock declared an interest in Agenda Item 8 Abergele 4G Pitch Feasibility Study (Regeneration Project)

due to being LEA School Governors at Ysgol Emrys Ap Iwan. As the interest was not prejudicial all remained in the meeting whilst the item was discussed.

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Urgent matters

None.

4. **Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 October 2024 were **AGREED** as a correct record.

5. **Creu Conwy (Regeneration Project)**

The Culture Development Manager, Helen Jackson attended the meeting to provide an update on the Creu Conwy Regeneration Project.

The project delivered the shared prosperity projects through the shared prosperity fund and included various activities such as public arts, which was funded by the Brilliant Basic Scheme to install destination signage, Creu Conwy Ifanc for young people from 0-25 years old, supporting libraries as community hubs and digital improvements to libraries.

6. **Abergele Western Gateway (Regeneration Project)**

Sarah Murphy and David Lowe from Cartrefi Conwy attended the meeting and provided an update on the Abergele Western Gateway.

There was a discussion on the current use of the site and the proposals for the site, which was in a conservation area. It was noted that Phase 1 had been submitted for planning permission for an education facility.

Information/sharing events were planned for the public in February, 2025.

There was a discussion for a Llandrillo College representative to attend the next LAF East meeting in April, 2025 to provide an update on the current situation relating to the progress and timeframe for proposals on the site.

ACTION:

That an invitation be extended to Llandrillo College to attend the next LAF East meeting to provide a progress update on the Abergele Western Gateway Regeneration Project site.

ACTION:



That Abigail Pilling (Place Plan Officer, Abergele Town Council) be requested to invite representatives from Llandrillo College to attend a future meeting of the Abergele Town Council.

7 Pensarn Flats Project (Regeneration Project)

This item was deferred due to the Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland and WSP Consultants being unable to attend the meeting.

It was agreed that an urgent hybrid meeting be arranged by Abergele Town Council when the report from the consultants had been published and to invite the Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland and Consultants and Members of the LAF East.

ACTION:



That Abergele Town Councillors and Abigail Pilling (Place Plan Officer, Abergele Town Council) contact the clerk of Abergele Town Council to arrange an urgent hybrid meeting with the Strategic Planning Policy Manager and the consultants to discuss Pensarn Flats with Members of the LAF East invited.

8. Abergele 4G Pitch Feasibility Study (Regeneration Project)

An email update was provided by the Principal Leisure Manager, Mally Tidswell, who was unable to attend the meeting.

A further update was provided by Councillor Paul Luckock.

There was a discussion that the project now known as a 3G pitch was delayed due to the land being owed by Emrys Ap Iwan High School.

It was suggested that the Head Teacher and the Head of Governors of Emrys ap Iwan and the Principal Leisure Manager, Mally Tidswell, Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland and the Project Manager (Education), John Davies be invited to a

future LAF East meeting and the item be included on the Forward Work Plan.

It was noted that the Strategic Engagement and Place Plan Officer, Shane Wetton would provide the Forum with original membership of a user group relating to discussions on the Abergele 3G Pitch Feasibility Study Regeneration Project.

ACTION:

The Head Teacher and the Head of Governors of Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan and the Principal Leisure Manager, Mally Tidswell, Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland and the Project Manager (Education), John Davies be invited to a future LAF East meeting to discuss the 3G pitch and site.

9. Place Plan and Town Team (Regeneration Project)

The Culture Development Manager, Helen Jackson presented an update on activities/events organised as part of the Town Team Regeneration Project.

Funding had been allocated to each town team across the County to work together and explore, develop and deliver projects in communities.

Abigail Pilling (Place Plan Officer, Abergele Town Council) attended the meeting to provide an update on Place Plans and events organised for the Place Plan Regeneration Project.

10. Update on the Sea Defence Scheme and Ty Crwn

The Flood Risk and Infrastructure Manager, Owen Conry attended the meeting and provided an update on the sea defence scheme noting that a site visit could be arranged for Members of the Forum.

An update was provided on the work undertaken at Ty Crwn and an invite was extended to Members of the Forum to meet with NRW and consultants in forthcoming meetings.

There was a discussion on recent flooding in the Abergele area A547 bypass by Gwrych Castle.

In addition, discussion arose regarding the various works that needed to be undertaken around the area including Abergele Golf Club, Eldon Drive and Ty Mawr Caravan Park.

11. **Forward Work Plan**

The Forum discussed future agenda items for the Forward Work Plan and requested that the following items be included:

ACTIONS:

- **That an invitation be extended to Llandrillo College to attend the next LAF East meeting to provide a progress update on the Abergele Western Gateway Regeneration Project site.**
- **For The Head Teacher and the Head of Governors of Ysgol Emrys ap Iwan and the Principal Leisure Manager, Mally Tidswell, Strategic Planning Policy Manager, James Harland and the Project Manager (Education), John Davies be invited to a future LAF East meeting to discuss the 3G pitch and site**
- **For an update on Sandy Cove to be included on the Forward Work Plan**

(The meeting ended at 7.40 pm)

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