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Gwynedd Local Action Group Minutes - LEADER.

14.07.21

Virtual meeting (over Zoom)

Present:

Private Sector Representation:		
Ian Nellist	(IN)	FSB
Geraint Strello	(GS)	BT / Technoleg
Ceri Cunnigton	(CC)	Antur Stiniog
Voluntary Sector Representation:		
Sian Tomos	(ST)	GISDA
Arwel Jones	(AJ)	Partneriaeth Llyn
Dafydd Watts	(DW)	Voluntary
Einir Young	(EY)	Voluntary
Craig Ap Iargo	(CAI)	Dyffryn Nantlle 2020
Public Sector Representation:		
Rhodri Owen	(RO)	Grwp Llandrillo Menai
Angela Jones	(AJ)	Snowdonia National Park
Anwen Davies	(AD)	Gwynedd Council
Tudur Williams	(TW)	Prifysgol Bangor
Representation from Môn / Arloesi Gwynedd Wledig:		
Nia Wyn Arfon (NWA)		
Aaron Warren	(AW)	
Rhian Hughes	(RH)	
Rhys Gwilym	(RG)	
Elin Parry	(EP)	
Dafydd Gruffydd	(DG)	
Jade Owen	(JO)	
Eleth Owen	(EO)	





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Point	Details	Action
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1.	Rhodri Owen, who chairs the LAG, welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	<u>Apologies</u> Councillor Gareth Thomas Susan Yapp, Welsh Government	
3.	<u>Expressions of Interest</u> No expressions of interest were received.	
4.	<u>Minutes of Meeting 14/4/21</u> <u>The minutes of the meeting were accepted as correct.</u> Nothing arose from the records.	
5.	<u>General update – Nia Wyn Arfon</u> NWA presented a general update and introduced new developments beyond the AGW programme, by Menter Môn. These schemes have all developed from the LEADER ideas or pilots (Neges @ Home, Gwlad y Gwlân, Môn Larder 2). NWA presented an overview of recent staff changes and introduced the new digital team who will be working alongside AGW projects: Tomos Jones, Wil Adams and Elen Foulkes – highlighting the work that the team will be carrying out in Gwynedd. NWA explained that arrangements are in place for her maternity leave and EP will step in with some responsibilities during this period. NWA also confirmed that there was intention to employ a project officer to fill the gap during this period. NWA noted that an evaluation of the LEADER programme by Wavehill was operational and LAG members were encouraged to complete the questionnaire for the evaluation. NWA provided an overview of AGW's recent publicity including the Small Bulletin, with a high percentage of subscribers opening the bulletin for reading and following further links.	





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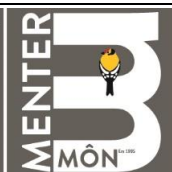
7.	<p>Financial Update</p> <p>NWA provided an overview of the scheme figures to date, noting the new budget presented as part of the re-profiling. We are awaiting confirmation on the re-profiling from the Welsh Government. Please note that project costs for Implementation and Co-operation are divided equally between our strategic themes, Enterprise, Resilience and Places, and that there is an adequate budget to the end of the programme, with the sum earmarked this year already healthy.</p> <p>In light of the re-profiling, NWA reported that travel, VAT and staff costs were decreasing with a 12% increase in project budget.</p> <p>The LAG approved the earmarking of a budget of £15k for AGW challenge workshops (£5k against each theme).</p>	
8	<p>Project Updates</p> <p><i>Resilience (EP)</i></p> <p>EP presented an overview of the Resilience theme and provided an update on the current projects.</p> <p>EP explained that following the closing event, the IOT in Agri project is coming to an end in its current form, but there is room for further development.</p> <p>EP noted that imports of the semen as part of the Multi-Purpose Sheep project were commencing and that there was sufficient time to start implementing next steps from August onwards.</p> <p>EP presented an overview of the new Sustainable Tourism scheme which is piloting a park and ride approach in Bethesda. EP noted that there will also be a feasibility study on Pant Dreiniog car park, as well as joint research with the Park and M-Sparc on 'Digital Snowdonia'.</p>	





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	<p>The empty Spaces project is progressing and the following locations have been selected: Bro Ffestiniog Community Centre, Antur Waunfawr + Textiles, & Siop Griffiths.</p> <p>EP confirmed that a Community Catalysts study is being prepared and we will consider a further pilot project dependent on the findings.</p> <p>EP mentioned that the SbwrOriol project was continuing with a pilot starting when with Ysgol Glan y Môr to create art using litter. EP noted that there was also an intention to work with the National Park on a plastic-free agenda.</p> <p><i>Places (RH)</i> RH gave an overview of the Places projects.</p> <p>RH confirmed that the Store Tally project was moving forward with the technology being installed at the Madryn, Chwilog, Copa, Caernarfon, and Warws Werdd, Antur Waunfawr.</p> <p>Byw a Bod yn y Gymuned is continuing – we will evaluate in the Autumn.</p> <p>RH noted that a dark sky transnational project was developing with a virtual conference being organized with several diverse guest speakers, including a NASA veteran.</p> <p>RH explained that the Hello Port project will determine whether the digital approach works as a concept to gather the views of local people and visitors in the area.</p> <p><i>Enterprise (RG)</i> RG presented an overview of the Enterprise projects. RG noted that Ffiws had reopened on the 12th of May through an appointment system with activities taking place on a regular basis.</p> <p>RG noted that a Ffiws toolkit has been created which includes further support for businesses that use Ffiws e.g. specialist support, courses and materials. RG confirmed that most of the equipment had arrived in the new Ffiws spaces and that an open call to decorate the Ffiws window had advertised on our social media to highlight the use of the equipment.</p> <p>RG presented a brief overview of the Egin Cegin project and confirmed that the unit had moved from the grounds of Ysgol Botwnnog to the Congl</p>	
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	<p>Meinciau car park. AGW will run Masterclass workshops and qualified training in partnership with Cywain.</p> <p>RG explained that Siop.io continues to recruit businesses to register on the website. RG said that Siop.io would also be part of the 'Neges@home' scheme, building on the success of Neges to create 'local food' boxes. These will give visitors a sense of place through local produce.</p> <p>RG confirmed that the Prydau Pen scheme has ended in Penygroes ran by Yr Orsaf which has one of AGW's Community Electric cars, but the group is using Carwen for the next 'Be nawni' scheme. The team at Llanaelhaearn have continued to work with the doctor's house to deliver prescriptions to the people of the Llŷn Peninsula area.</p> <p><i>Llwyddo'n Lleol (JO)</i> JO presented an overview of the Amser i Fentro and Llwyddo'n Lleol projects giving examples and sharing the successes of some of the cohort.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>ArfoProgramme Update, Anwen Davies, Gwynedd Council (AD)</p> <p>AD confirmed that the Arfor programme had come to an end. AD noted that Cymorth i Fentro has supported 28 businesses in Gwynedd and these businesses will create several jobs and develop over the next 2 x years.</p>	
<p>Any other matters</p>		
	<p>N/a</p>	

