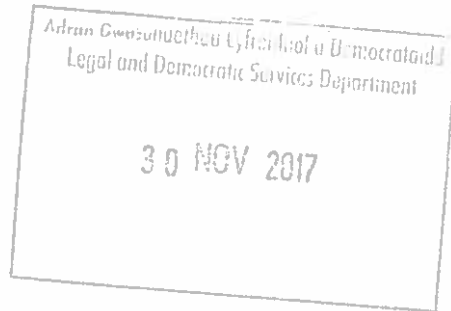


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24th November 2017.

Dear Mr Williams,

Re: Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd Community Council Dispensation Request under Regulation 2

I attach details of how the Community Hub for Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd Project evolved, culminating in the purchase of the Griffin Inn by a local resident, who wishes to work with the Council in order to implement the recommendations in the Cadwyn Clwyd Consultant's Report.

The Council's chairman and vice chairman have been invited to help set up the Management Group, which will be responsible for creating the Community Hub and will appoint tenants to run the retail activities recommended by the Consultants.

The Outline Business Plan recommended by the Cadwyn Clwyd Consultant works on the premise that a Community Benefit Society (CBS) will be formed as a legal entity. It is likely that some or even all Community Councillors will wish to join the CBS.

The Council wishes to be pro-active in working the new owner, with the support and guidance of Cadwyn Clwyd. There will be a need to obtain grants to refurbish the Griffin Inn and the Council will need to obtain membership of organisations who can assist this project such as Pub is The Hub, The Plunkett Foundation and the Wales Co-operative Centre. Membership fees range from £50 for the Wales Co-operative Centre to £75 for Supporter membership of the Plunkett Foundation.

It is likely that volunteer groups will need to be established to support key elements of the Hub and Councillors will wish to join one or more these groups.

At the May Local Government Elections, eight people were nominated for the nine seats on Llanbedr DC Community Council. Two Councillors have since resigned so we currently have only six Councillors.

The Consultant's Report (see Appendix 3) includes: *initial management costs will be raised through a mix of a Community Share Offer, a possible Community Council loan and grant aid.* We anticipate that the Management

Group and the volunteer groups may need to request further financial support from the Council. The Council is also considering an increase in its precept to cover the need to support this project.

As our quorum is three members, the Council feels the need to request a Grant of Dispensation from the Standards Committee under the 2001 regulations. We anticipate that the dispensation will be needed for a period of no longer than 12 months.

We feel that the circumstances in which dispensations may be granted are covered in:

2 (d), (e), (f), (i) and (j) – see Appendix 2.2 for our justification.

We would appreciate it if this request can be considered at the next Standards Committee Meeting on 8th December 2017.

I attach a copy of the formal letter which each of my current Councillors has signed requesting this Grant of Dispensation from the Standards Committee. I would appreciate your guidance of the procedure future Councillors would have to follow to obtain a Grant of Dispensation.

The attached Appendices include *A Brief Time Line of the Activities that led to the Community Hub Concept* – see Appendix 2.1

I can also provide copies of our minutes, Community Newsletters, the Consultant's survey of the Community and the results. 350 surveys were put out to villagers and 155 were returned, representing a 42% return.

I did not want to overload you and again would be happy to be guided by you what other supporting documentation you would require.

Yours Sincerely



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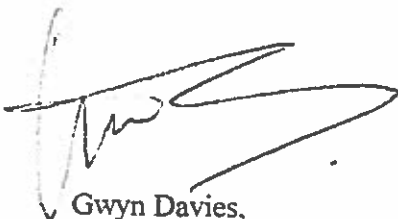
Dear Mr Williams

Dyddiad/Date 24/11/17

The undersigned members of Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd Community Council request a Grant of Dispensation from the Standards Committee under the 2001 regulations. We anticipate that the dispensation will be needed for a period of no longer than 12 months.

I attach below details of the Community Hub for Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd Project for which this Grant of Dispensation is being made.

Yours Sincerely



Gwyn Davies,
Clerk to the Council

Cllr Lyn Evans Chair of Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd
Community Council

Lyn Evans

Cllr Tim Baker Vice Chair of Llanbedr Dyffryn
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Cllr Rhian Jones Chairman of Leisure & Environmental
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