



Cyngor Tref Llangollen Town Council

24.06.2020

Annwyl Aelodau'r Pwyllgor,

Rhoddir rhybudd trwy hyn o gyfarfod cynhadledd fideo o Bwyllgor Cittaslow a gynhelir yn **Ddydd Llyn 29^{fed} Mehefin 2020 am 6.00 yh**, at ddibenion trafod y busnes a nodir yn yr agenda isod.

Hysbysir Aelodau o'r Cyngor y Dref drwy hyn i fynychu.

Mae crynodeb o eitemau gohebiaeth a chyhoeddiadau amrywiol a dderbyniwyd ers y cyfarfodydd diwethaf wedi'u cynnwys.

Mae'r cyfarfodydd ar agor i'r wasg a'r cyhoedd ac os ydych am gael y ddolen i gael mynediad i'r cyfarfod ar-lein, cysylltwch â Chlerc y Dref trwy e-bostio townclerk@llangollentowncouncil.gov.uk

Dear Committee Members,

Notice is hereby given a video conference meeting of the Cittaslow Committee which will be held on **Monday 29th June 2020 at 6.00 pm**, for the purpose of transacting the business set out in the agenda below.

Members of the Town Council are hereby summoned to attend.

A summary of correspondence items and miscellaneous publications received since the last meetings are included.

The meeting is open to the press and public and if you wish to be provided with the link to access the meeting online please contact the Town Clerk by emailing townclerk@llangollentowncouncil.gov.uk

Yn gywir,
Yours faithfully,

Gareth Thomas
Clerc y Dref a'r Swyddog Ariannol Cyfrifol.
Town Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

Pwyllgor Cittaslow

Cittaslow Committee

**Agenda
29.06.2020.**

- 1. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.**
I dderbyn, ystyried a derbyn
Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.

Apologies for absence.
To receive, consider and accept apologies for
absence.

- 2. Datganiadau o Fuddiant.**
I dderbyn unrhyw ddatganiadau o
fuddiant ar eitemau ar yr agenda.

Declaration of Interest.
To receive any known declarations
of interest in items on the agenda.

- 3. Cofnodion.**
I awdurdodi'r Cadeirydd i arwyddo
cofnodion yr Cyfarfod Pwyllgor a
gynhaliwyd ar 20/02/20 yn gofnod cywir

Minutes.
To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of
the previous Committee meeting held on
20/02/20 as a correct record.

- 4. Gohebiaeth.**
I ystyried gohebiaeth a dderbyniwyd ac i
wneud unrhyw benderfyniadau
angenrheidiol arno.

Correspondence.
To consider correspondence received and to
make any necessary decisions thereon.

Cittaslow yr Wyddgrug.
Y Gronfa Economi Gylchol.
Cais am weithio ar y cyd.

Mold Cittaslow
Circular Economy Fund.
Request for joint working.

Gweithredoedd.
Ystyriwch gynigion yng ngoleuni'r
adroddiad gan y Cyng Llovelock.

Actions.
Consider proposals in light of report from
Cllr Lovelock.

- 5. Adroddiadau i'r Pwyllgor.**
I dderbyn adroddiadau a gyflwynwyd i
Bwyllgor Cittaslow a phenderfynu pa
argymhelliad, os o gwbl, y dylid ei cael eu
hadrodd i'r Cyngor Llawn.

Reports to Committee.
To receive reports submitted to the Cittaslow
Committee and determine what
recommendation, if any, should be reported
to Full Council.

Adroddiadau
Reports

Mae adroddiadau yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid yw nhw cael eu cyfieithu.
Reports are working documents and are therefore not translated.

Cllr Lovelock: Welsh Celyn (Welsh Pound)

To consider whether Llangollen Town Council would like to research a mutual credit currency called the Celyn from Circular Economy Wales with a view to trialling it in Llangollen

Backed by the Welsh Government's Foundational Economy scheme, Circular Economy Wales is to create a 'mutual credit system', called the CELYN. More information can be found on their website

Celyn is a mutual credit currency used to promote a circular economy in the community, encouraging people to invest in their own communities. It can help bring linked groups together and help buffer communities against the affects of a possible recession

Participants are expected to keep their account level within individually agreed maximum credit or debt levels - usually a few thousand euros. Members must buy as well as sell, and the net amount of credit or debt on purchases and sales made on their account should net to zero over the course of a year.

The Cittaslow Committee of the Town Council already engages with a lot of the businesses and enterprises that could benefit from this system so could be well placed to oversee and help promote this system within the community.

It is recommended that the Cittaslow committee research whether participating in a Celyn trial in Llangollen would be possible, desirable and in line with Cittaslow aims.

The research would help decide the extent to which the Celyn would help the town achieve its Cittaslow aims.

CLlr Lovelock: Llangollen – Looking forward from Lockdown.

Idea: to organize a series of webinars (on Zoom or similar) around Cittaslow principles/themes, inviting speakers from local groups to present what they are working on around that theme, how it has been affected by the Coronavirus crisis; perhaps any priorities that are changing as they look to the future. The events would be open to the public, with Q&A possible either verbally or via comments/chat.

Example speakers could include:

- Environment, food & farming: Llangollen FoE, a local farming rep, a Foodshare rep
- Travel & transport: Llangollen 2020, Rotary, SDCP
- Energy, housing, streets: FoE, DCC?,
- Culture, Tourism, Employment: Chamber of Trade, Pentredwr, AONB
- Community, health & wellbeing: Health centre (Angela), Vicarage road Nursing home (Beth?) Verve?, WI?

We could try one theme and see if its welcomed, then continue if the community show some interest.

Presentations could be recorded so residents can listen to the sessions in their own time if they can't join the live meetings. Discussions would be better not recorded, although themes could be captured.

Context

Before lockdown there were various projects going on considering life in Llangollen - Cittaslow networking discussions, development of the Llangollen BID Business Plan, Shape My Llangollen, Llangollen 2020, Rural Futures and expansion of South Denbighshire Community Partnership work. The mind map below captures most of the proposals gathered from these events¹, gathered loosely around Cittaslow principles.

Experiences during lockdown have been different for different people (from relaxing down time to hectic time of juggling work, children and changing financial situations). Many people will have been directly affected by the virus, having lost one or more family members to Covid19. There have also been silver linings – less air pollution, more opportunities to enjoy our valley through regular walks or bike rides on quieter roads and paths.

Many communities are taking the opportunity to reassess the future. The [Global message of peace from the Urdd](#) asks us to do so and Wales has taken the step to join the Wellbeing Economy Network joining Scotland, Iceland and New Zealand. The Welsh Government is looking at ways to prioritise active travel as lockdown eases. These wider trends from across Wales are very much aligned with Cittaslow principles.

¹ Cittaslow networking meetings, Shape My Llangollen initial report, DCC November 2018 meeting at the Pavilion, the Caru Llangollen pop up event

How do we make the most of this opportunity as a town?

From the discussions we might hope to (1) understand whether / how people's priorities have changed from previous consultation work; and (2) review and potentially revise Cittaslow priorities over the coming year; (3) provide a steer on town strategy discussions.

Cllr Lovelock, Tempo Time Credits.

To consider whether Llangollen Town Council would like to research a Tempo time Credit Scheme in Llangollen.

Tempo time credits are a time-based currency used to promote volunteering in the community. Llangollen's groups and organisations engage volunteers in hundreds of hours of volunteering each year in support of an incredible range of causes and interests. The idea is that through a Tempo scheme volunteers would earn time credits for volunteering in their community groups which can be used to pay for access to volunteer run events or loans of community assets Eg: tickets to cinema, eisteddfod, fringe or use of meeting rooms for hr or loan of equipment for a day.

Llangollen being a location rich in events this is a great way for people to get access to them by volunteering within the community. It particularly supports those with lower incomes who might not otherwise be able to access certain events due to costs.

Tempo time credits have been rolled out in Wrexham and Flintshire and found to provide valuable recognition for those volunteers as well as incentives for new volunteers to get involved, supporting health and well-being objectives of the Cittaslow initiative.

There is an initial start up cost (which we could look into getting funding for) and the project does require some admin and oversight but this could be used to help bring together some joint working with the wide variety of groups in the town.

It is recommended that the Cittaslow committee

- a) Research the costs, administration and sources of potential funding required to implement a time credit scheme in Llangollen
- b) Discuss the idea with town groups
- c) Present a report to the Town Council on its recommendations

To support the aims of the Town Council's Cittaslow Committee and reward the great volunteering that occurs within the community.

To use this time to create a package that will mitigate some of the adverse effects of the Covid19 public health emergency

Cllr Lovelock: Circular Economy Funding to Support a Green Recovery

Given the timeframe for responding, I've spoken informally with the town groups that may be interested in this call for proposals and (through one of Mair's connections) they have identified a possible partnership with a Ruthin based organisation called reSource (more information on that below) which would open opportunities our town groups have proposed at various fora (including Cittaslow networking events) such as:

- A repair and reuse facility in Llangollen, potentially linking with Ysgol Dinas Bran's 3D printing efforts and the town theatre groups
- A Library of Things, potentially linking with the town library
- A town-based composting system, potentially linking with Ysgol Bryn Collen, Ysgol Gwernant and Grow Llangollen (a new community farming initiative)

Possibly a further push with town businesses (and residents?) on reducing plastic, in partnership with Plastic Free Llangollen and Llangollen & Dee Valley Food & Drink (formerly Good Grub Club) – particularly given the sudden increase in single use plastic I've already seen with businesses reopening.