



Dear Residents of Pennal

I am sure that many of you are aware, that after a decade, our wonderful landlords at the village pub, "Glan yr Afon" have decided to put the business up for sale. To date, no buyer has been found. A number of residents of our parish have approached Pennal Community Council to express concern over the potential closure of a valuable and essential village asset.

Since the loss of the village shop Glan yr Afon has been the centre of the community, where many have enjoyed both the social aspects and the contribution it has made to the rural economy, a pub such as Glan yr Afon offers. I am sure you will agree, the potential loss of yet, another important service in our village will contribute to making Pennal a dormitory village as opposed to the lively interactive community we currently enjoy.

As part the of the UK Government Levelling Up Agenda, there is an opportunity to investigate the potential to consider purchasing and developing a community owned facility that may have a singular or several functions; pub, shop and or café have been mentioned.

The Community Council would like to give the residents of the Parish of Pennal the chance to hear their views and explore the possibility of a Pennal community venture. To further this, we would like to invite you to a public meeting on 17th November 2021 at the Ganolfan in Pennal at 7pm

I have also enclosed a questionnaire; please can you fill it out and and arrange to have it delivered to a Drop in Box which will be placed outside Glan yr Afon / Riverside or send it to the Pennal Community Clerk at the address below. Alternatively, you can scan and email a copy to gyllelog56@gmail.com by Monday the 15th of November 2021. A copy of this letter and the questionnaire will be available on the Community Council website cyngorpennalcouncil.co.uk. To make this even easier for those with internet access we also have setup an online survey questionnaire and the preferred option, if possible, at <https://freeonlinesurveys.com/s/fnofJKPD>

If there is agreement to explore the potential of a community venture, there will be further opportunities to contribute to the process.

I sincerely hope that you can attend, as your thoughts are important and I look forward to welcoming you on the 17th of November,2021 at 7pm.

Meirion Roberts

Chairman Pennal Community Council

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