

**Community Engagement – Feedback to date**

The following is a summary of feedback received from the community from the following engagement activities delivered in October 2022, including:

* An engagement event held at Pen Phoenix FC on 2nd October 2022 (15 Participants)
* An engagement event held at Pen Golf Club on 18th October 2022 (5 Participants)
* Results from a first draft online survey published on 16th October (8 responses)

In each activity, we have asked a series of 6 questions and encouraged individuals and groups to generate as many ideas as possible.

These findings have been used to develop a second draft survey which is available to complete at [www.planningaidwales.org.uk/penmaenmawr](http://www.planningaidwales.org.uk/penmaenmawr)

For more information about the project and opportunities to be involved, please visit [www.placeplans.org.uk/penmaenmawr](http://www.placeplans.org.uk/penmaenmawr)

**The ideas below have been submitted by the community of Penmaenmawr.**

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**Question 1: If we had £1million to spend on community projects, what would they be?**

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| Football at Pencae school is poor – improve  | New dog agility park  |
| Let the school children play football at the football club as part of school  | Flood defences improved by beach and railway  |
| More activities for children  | Smarten up Brundrits Wharf  |
| More for youths / different ages  | Station road east flood defences  |
| More shelters for youths to meet outside  | More outdoor gym equipment - e.g. on prom  |
| More things for kids – youth clubs in Dwygyfylchi and elsewhere  | More things to do  |
| Activities for older people / more groups  | Outdoor climbing wall  |
| Loneliness a problem – outreach work  | Zip line to beach  |
| More community groups and facilities  | Dwygyfylchi beach access area  |
| Assist Pen Phoenix to improve facilities  | Dwygyfylchi field – have a footpath / running track around the outside  |
| Arcade in Pen  | Improve parking at community centre  |
| Puffin café re-open (now in private ownership so it is difficult!)  | New bridge to beach (disability friendly)  |
| Dwygyfylchi village hall  | Move the skatepark to Kallee Kopec Park |
| Extend CCTV to Dwygyfylchi  | Town Council should take control of the verandah and improve/ extend it to strengthen the look of the centre |
| Continue Promenade improvements - park / play area  | Development of Community Hubs - e.g. Library / Parish Hall |
| Lots more bins  | More Groups for older people |
| More restaurants  | Road into town (both ways) should be improved - flowers and sculptures |
| Town library expansion and multi-use space  | More support for current projects / clubs for older kids /  |
| Improved access to GP surgeries / doctors  | Dwygyfylchi community centre to be developed into a multi use venue to meet needs of all age groups and as a base for a range of community activities.  |
| Fitness track with outdoor gym apparatus & distance markers  | Reclaiming land lost to erosion at dwygyfylchi beach to make a wider / grassed area and improve sea defences |
| Purchase of car park by library. |  |

**Question 2: What do YOU love about Penmaenmawr?**

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| The village bookshop (second hand books and honesty box) - always open and wonderful.  | Shops – parade is pretty and lots of shops and cafes  |
| Beach and Prom are important to the community.  | Beach and beach trails (National cycle route)  |
| Fernbrook Car Park is important to the community but should be free to use.  | Natural beauty  |
| The Library is an important hub for the community.  | Mountains and sea  |
| The Parish Hall is really important for the community and should be brought back into use. | Parks  |
| Foel Lus and the Jubilee Walk | Views  |
| Menai Hirion - The "Druids" Stone Circle | Walks  |
| Penmawnmawr Museum - Fantastic! | Wildlife and natural environment  |
| Parc Plas Mawr - Peaceful | Local shops  |
| Love the town - generally good shops and places to eat. | Beach café  |
| Beach is amazing! - Shame about the A55. | Buses and trains – good service  |
| Everyone is friendly so you feel safe  | Central location  |
| Local people are kind  | Football club  |
| Town feels safe  | Golf club  |
| Dog-friendly  | Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) – a good hang out area  |
| Perry Higgins Antiques  | Not too touristy but we do have visitors  |
| Pubs  | Skatepark  |
| Quietness  | The amazing people who give up their time to run clubs for the kids  |

**Question 3: What challenge(s) do you think Penmaenmawr faces - what would you do about them?**

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| Less charity shops and restaurants. Pen needs something different / something to bring people into the area.  | Access to NCR for cyclists / access to beach - new bridge  |
| Eroding of Welsh heritage and culture  | Safe access to A55 - traffic controls at roundabout  |
| Stop allowing development in conservation area - what is the point of having it if people can just rip it down? | Traffic speeding down Conwy Rd. well over 30mph including Highway Agency vehicles and HGVs |
| Shops opening hours – stay open longer  | Road surface of the A55 is very noisy. You can hear it throughout Pen. Could it have a quieter surface? |
| Getting people to get involved in community events - engagement / get involved  | Access onto A55 at the Puffin roundabout is quite dangerous at peak times because of the speed of the traffic travelling towards Bangor.  |
| Work opportunities for young people - need jobs in the local area/ attract business  | General appearance - Add sculptures / flowers / seating etc. at Park Plas Mawr.  |
| Not enough Dentists & Doctors - Welsh Government  | Too many small local groups who don't communicate - bring them together to agree a vision |
| Sheep on the A55 - fencing / cattle grids  | Weak economic base - improve the look / attractiveness of the town centre |
| Dog mess - more dog bins / CCTV  | Getting more locals interested in town and using its facilities - marketing / promotion |
| Park at the end of St David’s does not feel safe - make improvements  |  |

**Question 4: What do you think are the opportunities that should be developed or made more of in Penmaenmawr?**

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| Fernbrook road car park needs to be improved / doctors surgery is needed in Penmaenmawr  | Community events -Swn Y Mor etc  |
| Raise prominence of local walks  | Encourage primary schools to use the football club for practice  |
| Encourage hillwalking  | Community centre parking needs improving |
| Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) – open it up for others – a sports Hub – include an outdoor gym  | Use the prom and beach to promote the town |
| Multi Use Games Area - there is an opportunity for the Town Council to work with the football club to provide lights  | Emphasise the town's lovely aspect and linkages to Snowdonia |
| By the Multi Use Games Area – have a park here for younger children – picnics – whilst older children play football. Car parking needed here also – try and encourage car parking at The Dingle and walk to the MUGA  | There is a great community spirit with lots of small groups - tap into this |
| Watersports at the beach  | Keep supporting Pen in Blook as the flowers are fantastic and make the town attractive.  |

**Question 5: What should Penmaenmawr look like in 15 years’ time (2037)?**

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| Excellent health care for all | Keep its character  |
| An attractive town centre to encourage a strong economic base - very busy with lots of people using it. | Smart / digital town  |
| A thriving town with lots of facilities on offer for residents and visitors | Well-cared for  |
| A safe and friendly place to live | Green spaces kept as green spaces  |
| Thriving community | A lot of nature and thriving wildlife  |
| More local shops  | Got it all in Penmaenmawr (hills and sea – can promote tourism)  |
| Not too much development / buildings  | History tours of the quarry  |
| One super school  | Push tourism attraction at the Quarry  |
| Puffin café re-opened  | Tourism – quarry Zip line  |
| Hill walking  | Watersports  |
| Plenty of green space  | Zip world and a Sea based attraction |

**Question 6: How can we reach people in the community?**

Suggestions for WHO we should target

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| Youth  | Community groups and clubs  |
| Residents  | Schools / colleges  |
| Local businesses  | Clubs / Groups  |

 Suggestions on HOW we should reach people

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| Social media  | Incentives – tea and biscuits!  |
| Outreach- go to people – don’t expect people to come to you  | Activity or event  |
| Newsletter  | Posters for shops etc |
| Website  | Involve community in decisions |
| Meetings -public engagement  | Good communication |
| Local media  | Encourage people to get involved - promote the town / its assets and facilities |
| Conversation in person  | Town Council should have a publicity departments - more than social media |
| Computer  | Need a champion to pull Pen Regeneration forum together - made up of small groups |
| Local radio / media  |  |