

Type of Report	Minutes		
Cyfarfod Meeting	Partneriaeth Gwledig Môn / Anglesey LAG (Arloesi Môn)		
Lle Venue	Zoom		
Dyddiad Date	14/7/20 20	Amser Time	13.00 pm

Present:

Private Sector Representatives:		
Nigel Peacock	Self Employed Contractor	NP
Dylan Evans	Self Employed Contractor	DE
Voluntary /Community Sector Representatives:		
Peter Davies OBE	Llangefni Social Enterprise	PD
Sian Purcell	Medrwn Mon	SP
Neville Evans	Iorwerth Arms Bryngwran	NE
Public Sector Representatives		
Martin Jardine	Llandrillo Menai Group (Chair)	MJ
Molly Lovett	Natural Resource Wales	ML
Dewi Lloyd	Isle of Anglesey County Council	DLI
Menter Môn Staff		
Meilir Pritchard	Menter Môn	MP
Sioned Morgan Thomas	Menter Môn	SMT (minutes)
Dafydd Gruffydd	Menter Môn (MD)	DG
Others in attendance		
Liz Davies	Isle of Anglesey County Council	LD PR
Pryderi ap Rhisiart	M-Sparc (MD)	

Agenda Item	Discussions	Action Points
1 – Welcome & Apologies	<p>Apologies – Mari Faulkner (private sector)</p> <p>The chair (MJ) welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone in advance for giving their time at short notice. The chair also welcomed Liz Davies (IACC) and Pryderi ap Rhisiart (M-Sparc).</p> <p>There was an acknowledgement that the request to attend today's 'urgent' meeting was unusual, but these are unusual times. MJ referred to the agenda (shown on screen) and asked DG to open the meeting by providing some background and wider context to today's meeting.</p>	

2. Context	<p>DG emphasised that calling an urgent meeting was indeed a very unusual request and a very rare occurrence in terms of the LAG. The usual procedure is that problems are identified, and projects developed in conjunction with the LAG members, and therefore accepts this to be a very unusual case.</p> <p>However, <u>this meeting had been called to discuss a proposal for the development of a Track & Trace App for £30k (inc of VAT).</u></p> <p>DG acknowledged that the Track and Trace (TT) app is complex and one that he does not fully understand or have any expertise in, and that LD and PR are best placed to discuss the pilot and the system itself.</p> <p>However before discussing the proposal, DG was eager to ensure that the LAG members were fully aware of the wider context and that these should also be taken into consideration. These are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There was a risk during the last couple of months that Welsh Government (WG) could potentially have redirected funding from the EAFRD programme (which includes the LEADER programme) to respond directly to covid19. Menter Mon were seen being very proactive in their response to covid and lobbied to secure the LEADER funding. Whilst WG have confirmed the LEADER funding will not be redirected, they have issued a supplementary guidance for the LEADER programme, that requires all LAGs to develop and support projects that are responding directly to covid. 2. Considering Brexit and the uncertainty of future funding programmes post LEADER, MM are also working hard to feed into various consultations regarding future funding for rural areas. 3. The IACC are very supportive of the LAG and our LEADER projects, having worked collaborative on many projects over the years (fairness commission / Dark Skies etc). We were successful in securing £500k in 2015 from Anglesey Trust Association as match towards the LEADER programme, whilst this isn't directly the Local Authority's money, our relationship with IACC and their support towards the work undertaken by MM / LAG, helped in securing that funding. 4. Since Covid struck mid-March, MM have worked closely with both Medrwn Mon and IACC on the covid 	

	<p>response; and it has proved to be a very successful partnership/working relationship.</p> <p>SP reiterated DG’s comments regarding the relationship between the three organisations and confirmed that no other CVC across Wales has such an effective relationship with their Local Authority and social enterprise.</p> <p>DG noted that he was invited to discuss the potential pilot with the Leader of the Council (Cllr Llinos Medi), Anwen Morgan (IACC Chief Executive) amongst others. DG believed that in this instance IACC have reached out for support, based on the relationship that’s developed between the organisations.</p> <p>Due to the above factors, DG concluded by stating that he appreciated the topic to be very complex and of a political nature, however, has concern of the wider implications if the pilot was not supported.</p>	
<p>3. Background</p>	<p>The chair thanked Dafydd for providing the context and welcomed Liz to confirm her role within IACC and further information on the work that’s been done to date.</p> <p>LD introduced herself as the Senior Responsible Owner (re deployed to this role during the pandemic), working as part of the team to deliver the Welsh Government Test, Track and Protect (TTP) Strategy Anglesey.</p> <p>LD confirmed that the IACC are committed to delivery of this and were one of the first areas to pilot the tracking process on prior to the national roll out.</p> <p>Contact Tracing ensures that those who test positive for coronavirus speak to a trained officer (TTP Tracer) who gather detailed information on places they visited and people they came into close contact with since they became unwell. Once these contacts are identified they will be contacted by a TTP Advisor who will advise them to self-isolate and provide them with information on what to do if they become unwell or develop certain symptoms.</p> <p>The IACC are supportive of the proposed app which is complementary to the TTP. LD outlined that, as well as aiding and preventing the spread of covid, it would test the technology and identify how it adds value to the TTP process informing any future national roll-out. LD also noted that there are social and economic benefits of piloting the app on the Island. Whilst the population of Anglesey is likely to increase over the summer months with visitors, this app could be one way of providing re assurance for people that they are safe and would be informed if they have come into contact with a positive case.</p>	

	<p>It would also demonstrate an innovative approach and joint working between the private, community and public sector here on Anglesey.</p> <p>As a result of the work undertaken to date with regards to the track and trace system, LD is aware of the political support for a Track and Trace App – this would complement the track and trace element of the TTP Strategy.</p> <p>MJ thanked LD for her contribution and welcomed PR to discuss the next item on the agenda – technical overview.</p>	
<p>4. Technical Overview</p>	<p>PR started by explaining that it was a company based at M-Sparc that initially got in touch to discuss the proposed project idea. (Loyalty Logistics – work on big data for companies such as Audi and work all over the world in countries such as Japan, America and Europe).</p> <p>Having researched the Ireland platform/app, they believed it was a much better platform than the one currently being delivered via NHS X. They were also aware of the issues and complexities that the NHS X were having with the current platform. Having gained support from Government and Local Authority there was a clear opportunity to pilot an additional app here on Anglesey.</p> <p>The proposal is to use and modify the system already operational in Ireland i.e. making it bilingual, rebranding in line with Public Health Wales etc. There are rational and costs around that piece of work, and they are proportioned to the work involved.</p> <p>members commented that they would like further information on the cost breakdown.</p> <p>The App would need to work alongside the work that being done by Liz and the team in IACC i.e. someone infected would be contacted by Liz and the team and would then be given a code to input into the app. The app would then be able to notify others that have been near them (i.e. sat next to them on a bus).</p> <p>PR believed that, in order for visitors to interface with the app, there would be a need for a PR campaign, ensuring we work with IACC, Menter Mon and the Anglesey Tourism Association (ATA) to make sure that visitors downloaded and used the app. It could be a means of protecting local</p>	<p>Details re cost breakdown</p>

	<p>communities and individuals and give them some reassurance.</p> <p>PR continued by explaining that the App could also provide additional information to people on how to behave whilst here (if differs from other countries), and provide direction to other sources of information (places to visit etc – link with Visit Anglesey website).</p>	
5. Open discussion	<p>Having received all three presentations, the floor was open to discussion. All members actively contributed to the discussions. The comments (C) and questions (Q) raised have all been listed below:</p> <p>Q - What is happening with the current App being developed by NHS / Government?</p> <p>A – Aware of issues with the NHS X App/system, and is very slow in being developed. WG are interested in looking at a different model. Loyalty logistics has access to the Ireland and German data / information and believes it to be a better system. Whilst WG are supportive to an alternative system, they cannot be seen to fund an alternative app.</p> <p>It was also noted that the work is still subject to receiving ministerial approval, and therefore, even if the LAG was to approve today there was no guarantee that it would continue.</p> <p>Q - Will there be several apps across different regions of Wales? (concern that different apps relating to different regions of the UK are being developed and how would be interface with each other).</p> <p>A - Not aware of other apps being developed apart from the proposed App and the current NHS X app currently in development. The proposal is to pilot on Anglesey with the view of rolling out across Wales, which would then link to NHS X if that was rolled out on an UK basis.</p> <p>Q - Will this app be complimentary to the national system or operate separately?</p> <p>PR confirmed that what is being discussed with Public Health Wales is that the App will sit alongside other national programmes such as the NHS X platform. If successful it would not be exclusive for the island, there would be a need to ensure that both systems can work together. The</p>	

	<p>technology is there to make that happen (i.e. the information is held on your device and not on the app).</p> <p>LD also noted that the work was nationally led and has to adhere to WG policies., therefore there would be an obligation to link in with other regional TTP system i.e. if visiting different parts of the UK, people’s details will be passed on to the different regions within the UK.</p> <p>Q - Is this an opportunity for tech companies to see Anglesey as a digital test bed for future innovations?</p> <p>A – There is definite scope for the project to raise the profile of Anglesey in terms of digital and R&E opportunities.</p> <p>Q / C - As part of a UK wide Pub Network, apps such as ‘stay safe’ apps are already being used locally and elsewhere across the UK. It uses a QR code that you scan when walking into a pub and the landlord / management is then given the details of everyone that’s visited the pub. Interested to know how this proposal differs?</p> <p>A – Believed the app to be slightly different, in the fact that the stay safe app would be able to provide data regarding visiting a single location and design specifically for the hospitality sector. Whereas the TTP being discussed would identify people you’ve been in close proximity to i.e. sat next to them on a bus, queued next to them in a shop.</p> <p>Q - Who will own the app?</p> <p>A - Public Health Wales. However, the IP within LEADER usually remains with the LAG and therefore this is something that should be explored further.</p> <p>Q - who would benefit commercially from the pilot?</p> <p>A – Loyalty logistics, however unlikely to make huge amounts during the pilot but hard to foresee what could happen beyond the initial pilot. As a company they are keen to expand into the health sector and see this as a platform to allow them to build further relationships rather than huge commercial gain.</p> <p>Q - How much has the partnership invested into the pilot? And if none, why?</p> <p>A – None to date. It’s a politically sensitive situation. WG are supportive and the work would not proceed without ministerial sign off and approval.</p>	<p>Ensure clarity on the IP</p> <p>Explore / clarify if there could there be a commercial benefit to MM</p>
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	<p>Q – Taking on board the political issues, there is however a lot of research money available for companies i.e. innovative fund. Could LEADER not contribute £2 - £3k to help them towards submitting a bid into other funding programmes.??</p> <p>A – DG of the opinion that it would not work and that it’s not something that they need or want. If ministerial approval is given they need to be able to move quickly, and since the LEADER is such a flexible and risk adverse funding pot they approached us as the LAG.</p> <p>Q - why are the LAG being asked to fund it??</p> <p>A – DG confirmed that it is very unusual request but believes that we have been approached since funding isn’t available elsewhere and that WG publicly committed to funding NHS X and not other/alternative systems.</p> <p>LD also commented by saying she recognize that this isn’t normally something the IACC would ask the group to support / fund. However, there is a key role for such an app, and having something up and running asap would enable the social and economic recovery of the island. LD concluded by saying that looking at the longer terms objectives is very important.</p> <p>Q – what is R number on Anglesey?</p> <p>Others were unable to provide an answer, however it was confirmed that it would be verified and confirmed.</p> <p>C - In the context of Anglesey, we have two ways on and two ways off the island, need to consider and ensure people that use it, can we make it mandatory? The fact that we are an island is a huge advantage in that debate.</p> <p>C – worried that we are in danger of losing perspective. Could be useful to Anglesey in all kind of ways. In terms of value for money – we have no idea of the continuing impact of the virus, LEADER programme is set up to take risk.</p> <p>C – The app could have the potential to offer additional services / information to the track and trace. Countering the issues re communities / visitors is a benefit. Could also have an use if we have further spikes down the line.</p> <p>MJ thanked everyone for the contributions and brought the discussion to a close. Having acknowledged the fact that not all the answers had been answered, It was confirmed that</p>	<p>Confirm current R number on Anglesey</p>
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	<p>no comments would be dismissed. All action points and queries will be followed up and reported back to the group in due course.</p> <p>On that basis MJ ask that all in favour of supporting the proposal in principle to show their hands.</p>	
6. Decision	<p>NO – 2 (NP / PD) YES – 5 (SP / DE, ML, NE, DLI)</p> <p>Not voting – Menter Mon Staff, The Chair, PR & LD</p>	
7. Close of meeting	The chair confirmed the outcome of the vote noted above and thanked everyone for their attendance and contribution.	

ACTION POINTS / QUESTIONS

1	Confirm/ analysis of the current R number on Anglesey
2	Clarity on IP /commercial benefits
3	Details of the cost breakdown
4	ask WG what other areas are doing and why pilot this when it's not new and innovative?
5	<p>(additional questions sent via e-mail)</p> <p>I would like to know exactly what the innovation is in relation to the project which seems to be simply trialling something that is already proven to be good, so what extra is happening with this project?</p>
6	Data security – would a track and trace system work if your location setting is off?

