



Meeting - Rhuddlan Library Working Group

10th September 2024

A meeting of the Rhuddlan Town Council Library Working Group is to be held on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 9am at Rhuddlan Library.

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Declarations of Interest
3. Review minutes of meeting held on 11th July 2024
4. Progress report from minutes
5. Arrange visits to Corwen, Mold and Llangollen Museums
6. Determine next steps
7. Date of next meeting

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Notes from Carly Davies

AIM – is the Association of Independent Museums. It is a hub of information for those of us working in the sector and feeds into national government strategy's for the long term support of heritage and culture. They have a section on 'New museums' which would be helpful for you to look at (just put 'new museum' in the search bar) but I have attached the guidance report from the website to this email to save you having to look for it, but please do have a look at the other material available as well.

Link to AIM - <https://aim-museums.co.uk/>

The Museums Association (MA) is the sectors professional membership organisation. Again, it is a font of knowledge and you do need to pay to be a member (and it is an Accredited Museum requirement to be a member). You can still access a lot of information without being a member but if there is something you find that you would like to read, that you don't have access to, just let me know and I can copy it and send it to you via our account.

Link to MA <https://www.museumsassociation.org/>

Feasibility Consultants

Below are 3 consultants that I have worked with in the past. They all have a good base knowledge of the area and have worked on supporting volunteer run museums and looking for alternative delivery models, where the 'traditional' museum approach is not suitable. In the brief for the consultants, I would add a section on Funding – asking them to suggest possible funding pots that you could utilize for the project.

Emma Chaplin - <https://emmachaplin.co.uk/>

Headland Design Ltd (Ruth Mckew) - <https://www.headlanddesign.co.uk/>

Lynn Podmore Consultancy - <https://www.lpodmoreconsulting.co.uk/>

One of the best ways to learn about what it is you wish to create (and not create) is defiantly to visit as many heritage and museum community and volunteer run heritage groups – contact for local ones below

Contact for Llangollen Museum – Gillian Smith/David Crane –
enquiries@llangollenmuseum.org.uk or Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/p/Llangollen-Museum-100057657969751/>

Contact for Corwen – Jim Richie/Norman Jones Facebook page – Amguedda Corwen Museum

Mold Museum visit – This is not a volunteer museum but it is part of the library and has just had a big re-furb. Designed to tell key stories about the town of Mold without needing continuous staffing. They have a storage room on the ground floor and a large room next to the museum area for school groups/events etc.