



It has been no secret that from the outset of our project we had a wider vision for Plas Glynllifon and wanted to repatriate some of the more historic parts of the estate back to the Mansion House.

To enable this repatriation, Plas Glynllifon Limited commenced discussions with Gwynedd Council and Grŵp Llandrillo Menai who owns Glynllifon last year. Those discussions are now advanced and whilst nothing is agreed, there is a shared vision amongst all parties for the restoration of the Mansion and Pleasure Grounds with a business model that can deliver sustainability to ensure that none of the historic assets within the estate fall back into disrepair. The Mansion coupled with the Pleasure Grounds has the ability to become a tourist destination to rival no other in North Wales, with the potential of drawing 250,000 visitors to the Estate.

Our plans for Plas Glynllifon are making significant progress both visually and strategically. The next phase of our development is to repatriate the Parc with the mansion in order to develop and restore both the mansion and grounds together to their former glory.

Plas Glynllifon Ltd have put forward proposals to Gwynedd Council to take ownership of the Public Park and Craft Units / Ancillary buildings currently owned by them.

Plas Glynllifon Ltd have also put forward proposals to Grŵp Llandrillo Menai to take ownership of;

1. The main entrance archway;
2. Fort Williamsburg;
3. The Mausoleum;
4. The wall gardens;
5. The Stable Block
6. Some grazing land that will enable both Plas Glynllifon Limited and the College both to be economically viable.

The Grŵp will relocate all teaching operations, accommodation and facilities to the north of the estate (as set out below) which will ensure students are safeguarded, economies of scale are achieved, resources can be shared, and management of the site simplified.

In the initial stages of presenting to both the Council and the Grŵp Board of Governors the benefits of transferring ownership, Plas Glynllifon Limited have undertaken to form a non for-profit organisation to manage the Parc to ensure full restoration, sustainability and future development of all the historic assets.

Whilst no decisions have been made at this point in time, both Gwynedd Council and Grŵp Llandrillo Menai are now considering the wider management of the Estate and how Plas Glynllifon Limited might be involved.

The intention is that the Company will work closely with the Council and Grŵp Llandrillo Menai initially and more importantly seek the wider community – residents, businesses, visitors and any other stakeholders to agree and gain support of clear objectives about the future of the mansion and the pleasure grounds. The overarching goal to establish effective management of the entire estate as an all-encompassing visitor attraction. This will resolve many fundamental issues that have recently emerged for all 3 main stakeholders.

The initial proposal being put forward by Plas Glynllifon Limited is that the Parc could be managed and monitored by a Community Interest Company (CIC) with management representatives which will include members of the public, Council, Grŵp and Plas Glynllifon with support and advice from a number of expert parties. This Company will agree the plans to develop the estate.

As such, the Council would be relieved of the onerous and costly task of restoring the grounds in accordance to the legal, listed requirements but will still have decision making powers to influence the development of the Parc.

Plas Glynllifon CIC would:

1. restore the pleasure grounds and walled gardens
2. run the pleasure grounds for the public good
3. ensure a fully restored landscape remaining open to the public

As one of the most significant Welsh designed landscapes, steeped in legend and local history, this nationally significant grade 1 estate will be returned to single ownership, with a single vision, and focused management.

Plas Glynllifon would become accessible to more people than it has ever been, from all socio-economic backgrounds and cultures. It will operate as a public visitor attraction, supported by commercial activities, including garden centre and providing a significant level of local employment.

The 3 core strategic objectives will form the backbone of Plas Glynllifon:

Conservation – restoration and continued care of the grade 1 landscape and buildings to the highest standards

Public Access – continued public access to the pleasure grounds (currently Parc Glynllifon) with a greatly enhanced visitor experience and care standards

Financial sustainability – through commercial operations that are in keeping with Plas Glynllifon, the long-term sustainability and future conservation of the built features, landscape, employment of some 200 staff and a community 'asset'.

To assist in the development of Plas Glynllifon Limited, there will be a Public Consultation and open day this summer, where local people and visitors will be able to look around those parts of the house and grounds that have been restored and provide feedback to the future plans of the Company which also include enabling development at Seiont Manor Hotel and Plas Ty Coch and Plas Brereton that will ensure that the strategic business plans are sustainable and provide c.200 local jobs.

