

P-04-366 Closure of Aberystwyth Day Centre

Dear Naomi,

Thank you for your email and update from the Council.

As arrangements for an externally validated review of the Aberystwyth Day Centre have now been made, in the interest of transparency, could these be shared?

...ongoing review and evaluation.... also, in the interest of transparency, can a report on feedback from the Council be obtained.

Service users consistently getting wet, and worse weather to come. PADC was so convenient, as they were driven up to the door.

Service users know they have to put up with it or else stay at home. Staff are looking after their job, (they can't like going out in all weathers assisting the service users into vehicles)

Only half of the designated parking is now allocated to the Day Centre.

CCC vehicles park on the pavement daily.

Aided bathing in PADC has taken place since 1983, now it is deemed by CCC as undignified. The in-house homes are 1/2 miles and 4 miles respectively, (Bodlondeb and Catre Tregerddan)

The provided bathing service in the in-house homes for service users, will this service be provided by CCC in the home?

In the case of Fire: 9 meters is the maximum acceptable distance from a room exit door to a place of safety. The second allocated room, (Loveden Road side) has no exit door to outside, no horizontal escape. The fire exit door from dining room faces a high blank wall, service users would have to go up steep steps leading to the garden (rough patch) - assuming a fire was at front of building.

Also a 4inch drop at alleyway at side, assuming fire was at back of building. Vertical escape (only by stairs) lifts are not to be used in the event of a fire.

Placing people who are "critical" and "substantial" in a basement, where they cannot get to a place of safety of their own volition is placing them at grave risk.

Thank you for your valued time,

Best wishes,