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Dear William Powell AM, (Stephen.George@assembly.wales)

Petition 04-04-562: Heritage Centre for Caernarfon

Thank you for your letter received on 13 January 2015 on behalf of the National Assembly for Wales' Petitions Committee concerning a petition to establish a Heritage Centre for Caernarfon and the additional information received from the petitioner.

As I indicated in my previous letter, for some years now plans have been discussed and implemented to improve heritage interpretation in Caernarfon and Gwynedd Council is very supportive of the principle of the development of Caernarfon as a heritage and culture destination of the highest quality.

Generally, there is close cooperation between the Council, Cadw and the Welsh Government departments, as well as partners in Caernarfon town. There are also exciting plans being developed by the Welsh Government's Regeneration Programme – Vibrant and Viable Places, the Art Council's Creating Contemporary Communities plan as well as other sources of funding. There may be opportunities through these plans to look at the way Caernarfon is interpreted as a whole in a creative and innovative way.

Gwynedd Council would need to consider the petitioner's application in the context of the plans that are being developed at present by partners in Caernarfon and if plans were being developed for a heritage centre, it would have to prove that it is viable and sustainable in order to receive the support of the Council.

Gwynedd Council is willing to discuss this further with the petitioner and local and national partners. Would you therefore be willing to forward the contact details of the petitioner to me please?

Yours faithfully

Sioned E Williams

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