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Dear Mrs Bayes

Thank you for your letter regarding the provision of information relating to the National Park and Newport across North Pembrokeshire.

You suggest that the Authority is not promoting Newport, however, our approach has always been to make both residents and visitors aware of facilities across the region such as walking trails, attractions and facilities, rather than promoting specific towns and villages.

Members of the National Park Authority took the decision to change the way information is provided to visitors and residents from a service based on one site in Newport to one providing opportunities for engagement across a number of sites and locations across North Pembrokeshire. However, we will also take account of the opportunity provided for a Community Asset Transfer of the building in Long Street, Newport and what services will be provided at that site in the future. At a recent National Park Authority meeting Members decided to "progress detailed discussions with Newport Town Council in pursuit of a possible Community Asset Transfer of the premises in Newport".

In addition to this the Authority has undertaken the following:

- Provided "Parkwise" training to staff working in information centres run by Pembrokeshire County Council;
- Organised workshops for the tourism industry in North Pembrokeshire to identify and plan for the changing ways of accessing information;
- Produced and distributed "Coast to Coast" – contrary to your letter, "Coast to Coast" is distributed in 38 outlets between Dinas and Poppit. Eleven of these are in Newport;
- Agreed to set up interpretation information in two sites in Newport and Dinas. We will respond positively to other opportunities;
- We will shortly be recruiting for a North Seasonal Ranger, who will have a remit to engage with partners across North Pembrokeshire and provide information at numerous sites over the summer season;



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gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg, a
byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth yn
Gymraeg. Nâ fydd gohebu yn
Gymraeg yn arwain at aedi.*

*We welcome receiving
correspondence in Welsh, and will
respond to any correspondence in
Welsh. Corresponding in Welsh
will not lead to delay.*

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- The Authority has had a presence at numerous events, shows and festivals over the number of years. This varies from high profile events such as the Pembrokeshire County Show to local events. We constantly review our attendance at events and through the Seasonal Rangers will look to attend more events this year.

In adopting this new approach the National Park Authority is looking to be more flexible and responsive to demands for information and therefore we will look to take advantage of new opportunities to engage with the public over the coming months.

Yours sincerely



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