Q6 Please add any further comments or concerns you may have in the comments box below, itemising your four main concerns or positives if you can. If you are not able to answer any of the questions the Community Council would be grateful if you could state the reason(s) within this box. We will attempt to categorise comments and to include all within any analysis.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The way the Welsh Government has handled the purchase of Gilestone Farm has been profoundly stupid, democracy has been totally absent from their agenda. The village is at bursting point for too much of the year, staging even more events here is utter madness. The sad possibility is that things will go full circle and we will be back to the shambles, pre Charles Wilson, when Gilestone was akin to a Disneyworld.	8/22/2023 9:47 PM
2	I will send an addendum of comments tomorrow as I'm unable for some reason to send it now.	8/22/2023 9:38 PM
3	Please note that I have applied for inclusion on the electoral roll but have not yet appeared. My date of birth is 06.04.06 and I have lived in the community since. Please contact me if you require proof of identity	8/22/2023 9:34 PM
4	My answer to question three is a qualified yes, although I think the way the question is written is biased and looking for a negative reply. I have no objection to limited larger events being staged at suitable times of year, but note there is no mention in any of the information I have seen from anybody as to whether or at what level a limit may apply. This is probably the biggest bone of contention and should therefore be addressed seriously by all parties. Would also add that I am a (holiday) property owner in Talybont, but resident elsewhere nearby for twenty years and very familiar with the village and many of its residents.	8/22/2023 8:45 PM
5	I think that this whole process has been a shambles from the very start, and it is hard not to see the sale as an underhand deal because the local community has not been consulted or even kept informed of what IS GOING ON Talybont is a quiet village but in summer months it is over run with tourists from the canal, the Taff trail, bike trails, and the access to the mountains. At these times traffic through the village is extremely busy and anything which increases vehicular activity in the village is going to exacerbate this situation. I moved here over 20 years ago to get away from hustle and bustle, and am not happy to have the hustle and bustle brought to my doorstep.	8/22/2023 8:16 PM
6	Think this could be good for Talybont , providing employment for local people , and personally a brewery, bakery etc could be a great community service .	8/22/2023 8:04 PM
7	I am concerned at the volume of traffic and the noise pollution that would be involved with any festival/music event. The location of gilestone for such events is too close to neighbouring properties. Currently residents lives are interrupted when a wedding is held at the concerned venue to to the way noise is carried and I know from speaking to other residents in the village that more events of a similar kind are not wanted here.	8/22/2023 7:34 PM
8	Completely unsuitable and complete lack of any due diligence or consideration for the community or environment.	8/22/2023 7:02 PM
9	Having events and Gilestone farm will ruin our community. We need somewhere to promote education of young farmers and rejuvenate farming there. The plans that are in place to create another events venue will not only ruin our community but our environment too. Disgusted with the Welsh Government	8/22/2023 6:55 PM
10	It's difficult to answer sopme of these questions without further information. I've provisionally answered Yes to Q2 and No to Q3 but it's difficult to be certain about this, and to an exent i'm aware that these 2 answers are contradictory. I do unable and unqualifed to answer Q5 with	8/22/2023 6:45 PM

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	any confidence. While I an not against the proposals in principle, the information currently on the Gilestone website is not adequate: it's little more that a copy/paste from a project proposal or grant application to the Welsh Government, and does nothing to explain details of the proposals to the general public (who should be the target audience for the website)	
11	Opportunity for Employment for this and coming generations Will support sustainable farming Great to have new enterprises in the area Will create apprenticeships and training opportunities	8/22/2023 3:27 PM
12	1. Investment in our area and other rural areas in Wales, such as what is proposed here, will have a far greater long term positive impact on the village, its population and the economy than the potential temporary interruptions that may be experienced by the local population. 2. The village is mainly populated by the wealthy and the retired. We need to ensure that it remains a thriving and sustainable place to live and work and not just become the private backyard for a privileged few. We live in a National Park, which exists for everyone to enjoy. It not only exists to conserve but also to promote opportunities for the understanding and the enjoyment of the area. That can take many forms and the potential to enhance such opportunities, when carefully thought through, should be applauded. 3. The Green Man is a trusted brand that, I believe, genuinely has only good intentions for Gilestone. Their plans currently outlined all sound sensible and suitable for the site. I have no worries that they will in any way carry out activities that could harm the surroundings. They have many years of experience in working in this area and on land that is similarly designated and protected. 4. I am genuinely excited to see the plans progress and to find out more about what could be proposed at Gilestone. I hope that the village will ultimately realise that this will be a welcomed asset for us all and that the fears of disruption and damage are fortunately unfounded.	8/22/2023 1:47 PM
13	Local infrastructure is already under strain. The road bridge is in poor condition and at risk from closure following a flood. The bus service is infrequent and active travel links eastwards (along or over the A40) need to be improved.	8/22/2023 1:38 PM
14	I support a sustainable farming development if it is run by relevant parties such as local farmers, YFC and NFU and local people	8/22/2023 1:28 PM
15	I am fully in support of the Gilestone Farm project. While I understand the concerns of Talybont residents close to the site and directly affected by any use of it, all farms have in recent years needed to diversify and Gilestone is no exception. Tourism is becoming the bedrock of the local economy, and the project is exactly this in another form. We need to encourage people to visit the national park, which is for everybody, not just us. The project will provide employment for local young people that is currently sadly lacking. I am confident that as Green Man has been present at Glanusk for more than 20 years, they have a proven track record as a conscientious and considerate Powys based small to medium enterprise and will, as they always have, consult with the local and wider community. I feel that those objecting are scare-mongering and imagining the worst, not basing this on any factual information. As at Glanusk, throughout the year the farm would remain a farm. The mild inconvenience of several small events per year would seem to me a small price to pay for the obvious benefits the project would bring to the area and to Wales as a whole.	8/22/2023 1:24 PM
16	I feel Q3 is too loose to be answered effectively. It should relate directly to the specified proposed event size and have a follow-up question about the concern for scope / frequency creep. More widely, it might have been wise for the Council to have removed itself from immersion in this survey and to commission it entirely independently so that data confidentiality concerns would be averted, especially given the polarisation of opinion in the village and affiliations / issue positions of individual Councillors.	8/22/2023 11:32 AM
17	Interesting jobs for young people who would otherwise have to leave the local area is a large positive in my opinion. New and innovative sustainable farming could actually benefit the ecosystem around gilestone farm. As long as greenman truly do the rest of the business with the environment as a priority this could be a good thing. Much more info needed!! Noise concerns about larger events need to be addressed properly.	8/22/2023 10:53 AM
18	Excellent balanced form to complete - thank you The Gilestone proposals have the potential to enrich the culture and local economy of rural Brecon There is a need for regular face to face discussion to build trust and confidence Car parking and congestion problem the main local concerns which can be addressed by adequate infrastructure on the farm site	8/22/2023 10:15 AM
19	Lack of full community engagement seems to be increasing mistrust between residents and the project. Longer this continues the more difficult it will be to build/repair relations. The farm project has great potential to have a positive impact on the area and local businesses, to build	8/22/2023 10:10 AM

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skills for life and offer employment, particularly for young people as well as offering older people the opportunity to continue working. It would be good to hear more about how the farm could help more vulnerable or disadvantaged members of our community. Opportunities for local businesses to benefit from increased visitors to the area and potentially help members of the community to develop their own businesses? I understand why people living in Talybont would be concerned about increased traffic and other disruptions such as noise. Gilestone has the chance to help mitigate those concerns by proper planning of infrastructure and discussing this with the community. I do not support the current approach of putting unwelcome signs around Talybont and neighbouring communities. It makes it very difficult for those not opposed to the development to give their view and can create community discord in a close knit environment. I don't want to be party to the signage but have no choice.

20 Why have you left out so much information? This is hardly a comprehensive survey. Ouestion 3 is beyond vague. What is large? What is capacity? How/when is it increased? Very poorly worded.

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question 3 is not answerable because there is no definition of the size of 'large numbers', there is no definition of what constitutes 'regular large events' and there is no information on what you are refering to by 'plans for future development.' Dear Councillors, Government Representatives, Clerk and Monitoring Officer, I have just read the Community Council Survey and accompanying Introductory letter. Talybont-on-Usk Community Council should not be sending out inaccurate and incomplete information for a community poll. There appears to be a lack of knowledge by the authors about what was discussed at the June community council meeting with the Welsh Government. This key information has been omitted from your survey which can create a host of problems with the electorate and invalidates some of your survey. As many of you were not present at that meeting, I feel it important for you to read these publicly published notes. Here are three key points that frequently arise in village discussions that definitely should have been included. 1. Traffic: 'Gerwyn made assurances that traffic management consultations would take place to ensure events were viable and that there was no intention to move the Green Man festival from it's current site near Crickhowell.' 2. Size and frequency and ensuring those numbers will not change in the future: 'Questions were raised concerning the frequency, scale and nature of festivals that will take place at the site as this seemed to be one of the main concerns of groups of people who are opposed to the development. Gerwyn said that the proposal for the staging of live experiences will take place in phases from one in the first year then being increasing to three a year by year five. Through the planning authority the Community council will be consulted in respect of licencing and other planning issues. Gerwyn said that these types of terms and conditions will be written into the lease agreement. '3. Why there was no Pre-purchase Community Consultation: 'The Welsh Government did not consult on their purchase of Gilestone as there is no requirement for them to consult on undertaking economic activity in line with their policy agenda and they have the remit to take risk in delivering policy ambitions. The Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015 is "an act unique to Wales which gives Welsh Government the ambition, permission and legal obligation to improve our social, cultural and economic wellbeing" and it is something this development hopes to achieve backed by the underpinning values laid out in the Joint Supplementary Planning Guidance "Enabling Sustainable Development in Welsh National Parks" to "conserve and enhance the natural beauty of the Bannau Brycheiniog National Park, wildlife and cultural heritage and to "promote opportunities for public understanding and enjoyment of their special qualities". Gerwyn made assurances that the Welsh Government will not break their own laws and that they are made accountable for all actions by a process of internal audit.' The following blatant factual errors, omissions and misrepresentation need to be addressed and a new form sent out to the electorate with an apology. You have falsely stated No guarantee however has been given that the size and number of events will not increase in future years, denying WG statements approved by the Council and publicly posted as Council notes from the June meeting at the Angel Hotel. A question was asked and addressed at the meeting where Gerwyn Evans said it would be "written into the lease". This should be rectified in your survey introduction letter. You have misrepresented the 'event/live experience' size and number by omitting the proposal for the staging of live experiences will take place in phases from one in the first year then being increasing to three a year by year five. Instead saying The site will also be developed as a venue for what are called 'events' and 'live experiences' throughout the year with three events hosting up to 3000 people with overnight camping available. This omission is extremely critical considering the time frame of 5 years and using 'throughout the year' when events are unlikely to occur year round. This should be rectified in your survey introduction letter. You have also falsely stated that Gilestone farm would generate 23 million pounds, their total commercial package at full capacity on the site will contribute £23 million to the Welsh economy If you read the statement made by Fiona Stewart to the press

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(yet frequently misquoted and used by opponents to the project) you will see that it is in reference to the entire GM project and not Gilestone Farm. This figure is in none of the Council meeting minutes/notes with the WG concerning Gilestone Farm because it is not true. This should be rectified in your survey introduction letter. Ms Stewart said: "My objective would be that everything we do with Green Man in year six will see an economic impact of £23m, 38-full time equivalent jobs and indirectly supporting 300 Welsh jobs in the wider economy." To put that into context, the festival currently has an annual economic impact of £10m. You have also used this false narrative of revenue in a manner that would instill fear in already nervous community with speculation, not facts. It is not 'clear' as you state. 'Inevitably having a very significant impact on the environment' is not factual and the figure your statement is based on is incorrect. This should be rectified in your survey introduction letter. It is clear however a commercial enterprise of this size generating this level of revenue will inevitably have a very significant impact on the environment as well as all aspects of life in this village and in surrounding communities within the Usk Valley The Council had waited a long time to send out a neutral survey with facts to provide a balanced and knowledgeable understanding of what may develop on Gilestone Farm. You have not done so. Whilst the questions on your survey are good, the introductory letter is lacking crucial information for an informed opinion, stating false facts and using an alarmist narrative that can influence opinion. You can and should do better. I am flabbergasted. I await a reply. Kind Regards, ellen 22 How will the site be accessed, such as supplies for such events. The bridge has a 26t weight 8/21/2023 11:19 PM limit, whilst there are other businesses I'm not sure they would need as many deliveries as a large event. Do you want this traffic travelling through the lanes? It's highly inappropriate to refuse the welsh tax payers any information or provide factual data to support the expenditure of 4.24M. There has been no consultation with the locals within the area, again fuelling the negative response. It all seems very underhand! 23 this enterprise has been entered into without what you like to call "due diligence"! The location 8/21/2023 7:13 PM is totally unsuitable for large numbers of traffic, camping, festivals. The banks of the River Usk are unique & precious and need more protection not less. We were under the impression that Brecon Beacons National Park, now known as Bannau, was there to protect the environment & at the same time allow visitors to enjoy the landscape. 24 After attending the Greenman this year for the 1st time, I am now aware of what an amazing 8/21/2023 4:55 PM ethical, sustainable company it is. From Wellbeing, encouraging Science Projects, and making people aware of things like Climate change and Soil Degradation, in my opinion there couldn't be a better Company to manage Gilestone. I feel that being part of the younger generation in the village, that our voices should be heard, as sustainability and the chance of having a local job are going to affect us more than the older generation. I don't feel that the Community Council have made the village aware that any sound, wildlife issues, etc would have strict licences, so this cannot be compared with the previous issues at Gilestone years ago, where these strict rules were not in place. What a shame the lack of community engagement & transparency from the Welsh 25 8/21/2023 3:38 PM Government & Green Man has led to such division in our community. If the Green Man Project is so good there are numerous other sites - Festival Park, Circuit of Wales etc which have excellent infrastructure & public transport links but aren't prime agricultural land in a small rural community. 26 - a positive development to enhance the local economy and community, providing jobs and 8/21/2023 1:31 PM investment into the area - sustainable and ecologically minded project, which will maintain farming at gilestone - enhances the reputation of the village in the Brecon Beacons/bannau Brycheiniog 27 Talybont on Usk has needed investment and diversification for a very long time, it seems to 8/21/2023 11:30 AM most that it has become a haven for retired people from over the border. Other local farms such as Cantref and Brynich have diversified so why not Gilestone. I am particularly concerned at the aggressive tactics of the so called Usk Conservation Group and would like an assurance that any member of that group on the Community Council will declare an interest and not take part in any discussion on the Gilestone project. 28 1. Wildlife of the area is sensitive, the river is already polluted, we are a Dark Sky Reserve and 8/21/2023 11:30 AM a National Park. National Park special qualities, including tranquillity, darkness, wildlife, landscape and natural beauty, should be protected. 2. Development of this site will add significant traffic, light pollution and noise pollution. 3. The Audit Wales report of Jan 23 confirms the site was bought without a business plan or due diligence (the community council should ensure everyone has seen this report; it's one of the few pieces of factual information

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available) 4. Why did Welsh Government buy such an expensive farm which has already had significant investment to create a successful tourism and farming business? 5. Why did Welsh Government buy this farm for this company and this business owner: there are many businesses which deserve support? 6. Why did Welsh Government buy this farm to demonstrate sustainable farming when the farm was already well run? 7. How £23m income will be achieved (and without damaging wildlife, the river etc)? If this is income, what will the profit be and what will happen to it? 8. Given the farm has been bought by public money, will the company running it be Not For Profit or a Charity, investing it's profit in the community? 9. The Gilestone Project advertising claims they are investing in the area because it has deprivation and needs helps: if this is their concern why are they not investing in areas south of the Park which have greater need for their help 10. The community has become very divided and its desperately sad that some people feel intimidated. I do not agree with the WG purchase or the development of the site but I certainly do not agree with the tactics of the anti campaigners. 11. The Welsh Government are responsible for the divisions in the community; the lack of information, plans and communication has caused huge concern and strong feelings. The WG need to take responsibility for ensuring the community is healed and should invest in services and community events to enable this to happen, 12. The Welsh Government need to explain why they have done this to our community. I can't think of a better company than the green man to take this farm forward. With their ethos 8/21/2023 10:16 AM 29 of sustainable farming, high environmental values . 30 Good for the area 8/21/2023 7:34 AM 31 Brings employment to the area, brings more tourists to the area, puts Talybont firmly "on the 8/21/2023 7:33 AM map", regenerates for the future (we all MUST evolve) 32 It should stay a working farm It is currently home to several small local businesses The project 8/20/2023 10:52 PM so far outlined will cause noise and traffic pollution and increased disturbance to wildlife. I fear expansion will inevitably follow ruining the precious nature of this location. 33 1. Am worried about numbers of people attending the large events in future years and the 8/20/2023 6:53 PM frequency of these events. It seems strange that this isn't going to be discussed. It causes suspicion about what the real agenda for the future is. 2 I have no objection to brewery, bakery bakery school etc but not large glamping numbers where loud music will probably end up being a feature. 3 I do have an objection to events where large numbers of people are involved. 4 I would feel happier if we were told exactly what the sustainable regenerate farming practices would be apart from making sure nothing enters the river that shouldn't however this point shouldn't even need discussing as should be a given. Sustainable is a word used a lot these days but most people haven't a clue what it means. It would all have to be closely monitored annually as well. 5 I have answered yes but think a one way system is a must, either entering OR exiting on station road not both. Talybont is surrounded by narrow roads that are used by dog walkers, back packers, cyclists. The road through Aber is extremely narrow then it becomes a 60mph zone r up to the waterfalls and beyond. Cars drive fast and make it very unpleasant for these walkers etc and sometimes nearly knock cyclists off their bikes in the frustration at not being able to get past so more cars means more problems for those not in cars. No bins on any of these roads either so rubbish dropped at random to be cleared up by locals. 34 Couldn't give a yes or no to question 5. Yes to commercial development on the farm. No to 8/20/2023 5:00 PM large events. Concerns (all for large events) - increased traffic, noise levels, events becoming bigger in the future. Positives (all for commercial development) - job creation, boost for local economy, environmental farming practices. Not able to answer question 5 as the response for me is 100% dependent upon whether it 8/20/2023 4:54 PM 35 relates to the commercial development / base for the organisation (Yes) on the site OR whether I consider it is a suitable location for large events (No). Concerns (Only relating to the proposal of holding large events on the site) - - Impact on traffic / road safety locally and in particular within the village of Talybont. - Noise levels. - The potential for the events to scale up in future years. Positives (Only relating to the proposal of commercial development / base for the organisation on the site) - - Creation of jobs locally. - Positive impact on local economy. - Sustainable farming / reduction of phosphates. - Support for start-up businesses. 36 A disgraceful waste of public funds by the Labour government of wales. Overpaying for the 8/20/2023 12:41 PM Gilestone farm, without even a prior business plan or any consultation with the community or the elected AM or MP for the area. Spending £millions to effectively provide financial support

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	to the green man private company owned by a friend of the Labour government. A national scandal which should be investigated by the police.	
37	It's a bit late now to consult the community most affected by the Labour administrations undemocratic plans. The whole project stinks of corruption and dictatorship.	8/20/2023 12:33 PM
38	The biggest challenge is identifying the exact plans both now and in the future for the Gilestone farm site. Whilst the Green Man plans offer some positives - particularly for young people - which are worthy of consideration and support, without knowing the full parameters of the intentions it is impossible to draw a conclusion whether it is a suitable venture for the area or not. My concern is the current Stop campaign is not balanced enough, and is fuelled by speculation from which conclusions are drawn. What is needed are the real facts from which the community can take an informed stance. The Community Council is well placed to enable this by bringing the community together and facilitating a community Q&A session involving Green Man representatives, Stop representatives, reps from BBNPA and PCC (plus others i may not have thought of), based on the findings of this survey.	8/19/2023 6:42 PM
39	I would like to say I am unfortunately not happy the way this council members have conducted themselves on this matter. I think this project will be very good for the village and it's community ,more jobs for the young and older generation, and I do think with a company like the green man and it's work with charity's and green energy agendas I do believe it's the best future for the farm and the area around .	8/19/2023 12:50 PM
40	Concern regarding: Noise issues (remember the problem in the past from Gilestone caravan park). Odour - especially from the brewery. Increased traffic - already a major problem with speed along Station Road. Littering Dog fouling Devaluation of local houses	8/19/2023 12:47 PM
41	I believe it will have little impact on the village as a whole but will generate opportunities for jobs and learning for businesses and our younger population. It will also help to boost the Welsh economy whilst still running as as a farm.	8/19/2023 12:34 PM
42	I have put no at 5.because of conflicting information on visitor numbers The figure of 3000 up to 3 times a year mentioned in the background to this survey is too much for the infrastructure of Talybont and would be damaging to the delicate environment of the ask Valley At variance with this much lower visitor numbers emerge from a meeting with the Welsh government and Fiona Stewart 17th of March 2023 (TCC Archive March2023). Here are some significant extracts . 1. Visitor number is not expected to increase significantly from those reported by the current tenant 2. No new buildings are proposed 3. New businesses will fill vacant buildings This scenario I could support More information needed	8/19/2023 12:27 PM
43	1. Overcrowding in a small village. 2. Traffic - a few kayaking tourists cause problems by the bridge thus 3000 vehicles will cause major issues. 3. Wildlife disruption 4. Festivals always bring unwanted issues to areas e.g. drugs and alcohol misuse thus causing unruly behaviour!	8/18/2023 3:31 PM
44	1. Our village will not be able to cope with 3000 vehicles with one routine in. 2. Our village will be overwhelmed with people. It's not built for that many tourists! 3. Wildlife will be disturbed. 4. We welcome tourists but not to this extent. People come to Talybont for it's peacefulness, not to find an overcrowded, litter filled, noisy village!	8/18/2023 3:24 PM
45	Comments on Survey Questions Question 1 The vacuum of information has contributed massively to the negativity surrounding the future of Gileston Farm . Community anxiety is understandable and highly significant given the negative experience of the Gileston Camping and caravan site ,where local government and the National park were culpable in the excesses which were allowed to go unchecked until Judicial review . Therefore in my view Gilestons future needs to be accompanied by higher than usual thresholds of community engagement if it is to be successful . Gilestons stewardship under Charles Weston is an example of community sensitive diversification ,notably the Community Orchard and walk, Community Woodland , the growth of a market garden which provides a veg box scheme and space for a number of successful small scale local businesses . Question 2 Development of the derelict stone barn to incorporate a brewery , Bakery and bakery school , especially if the farm produced the cereals could be an asset if linked to local pubs . A mid Wales hub for Creative Wales could provide a positive centre for the development of future skills ,ie tech and design . This may provide opportunities for south Powys young people and adults and contribute to a balance of ages within our communities . An expansion of Glamping and tourism on site in my view is unlikely to get beyond modest additions at the planning stage ,if the same restrictions which were applied to the current capacity were applied to future applications . One off ,size determined ,weekend events which incorporated camping would have acceptable impact	8/18/2023 2:59 PM

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however I do not see the site as capable of expansion to year, or season long accommodation . Question 3 I feel that this is where community feedback ,environmental , transport ,and footfall impact needs to be incorporated and specified in any tenancy agreement signed between The Welsh Assembley Government and the tenancy holder. Reassurance will be key to the success of this project and my view is that any tenancy should have modest early ambition which includes specific numbers, the nature of events, whether amplified music will be a feature of any of the events and if so the parameters. A review of the tenancy after a set period with subsequent community feedback would allow expansion of the tenancy agreement if the integration is successful. Ouestion 4 While there are strong views within the community about the Governments purchase of Gileston. I feel that this could be an opportunity with input from relevant organisations to develop /innovate farming practise which considers goals such as Carbon neutrality and managing a farm which incorporates the River Usk . With the environmental challenges which farming faces government ownership could provide a space where the financial burden for experimentation would not have to be born by individual farmers who are facing many financial struggles of their own. Ouestion 5 If the Green man organisation are to become the tenants of Gileston, there is a need to move from a number of headline ideas to much more specific detail. This links to Gileston and its communities history . Commitments with Reviews set out would enable ambitions to grow . I respect the organisations ethos and track record of having a respect for the environment but Trust is the key and this will only be able to grow where people feel that they have been heard . Further comments Employment and financial goals While I respect the commercial sensitivity of contracts I do have concerns about the suggestion that the site could generate profits of £23 million. In my view this places a pressure on the site which could well compromise and challenge sustainability goals. Currently I can think of around 25 people who work out of Gileston so imagining that the site could employ around 38 full time equivalent people is not an unrealistic target ,however I do feel that if the figure of £23 million is envisaged, where that money would come from needs much more detail or revision if it isn't to add to the range of community concerns . Final comments Gileston farm is an example of a village farm which is welcoming and involving of its local community . Local businesses benefit from its presence . My hope is that the purchase of the farm will enable this ethos to be maintained and developed modestly . If this was successful it could become a model for Rural Development , Community Engagement and Future Environmental practise.

I am concerned that the covering letter is biased. Phil Derbyshire was responsible for writing

the last survey conducted by UVCG, so I am astounded that because he has previously

outwardly opposed this project, he should not even be in the room when Gilestone is discussed, let alone produce a biased covering letter for it. This letter continues to state 'large' events and stating it will have a 'major' effect on the village & wider Usk Valley. He is writing this as if he is referring to the Greenman Festival of 25,000 people not 1000 - 3000 as is the fact. Also there was camping at an event of 500 people back in 2021, which did not impact on the village and Greenman & Welsh Government have confirmed the traffic will not come through the village and will access directly from the A40. Also this covering letter makes out that the £23 million would be made solely from Gilestone, where it has been stated that this will be across the whole of the Greenman Organisation. Again misleading. Since gaining further information this year from Welsh Government and the Gilestone project, I would be thrilled to have the farm produce its own crops for it's own bakery and brewery. Zero food miles! Also it will create jobs for villagers who could work local, instead of travelling many miles to work. The Greenman & Welsh government statements have been continually twisted. The Greenman do amazing things for individuals and communities, how they have been subjected to such hatred in our village is astounds me and is totally embarrassing to the village. Total obfuscation from the start, Illegal lobbying of gov ministers (now recused). No guarantees 47 8/18/2023 12:25 PM of future scale of events or future sale of the business. Talybont is rammed in summer and overtourism is ruining N Wales, Cornwall, Orkney, Scotland etc, we dont need or want any more. £23million seems paltry compared to Drakeford squandering £4.5 billion on his vanity 20mph scheme which virtually nobody wants or asked for. 48 1. Major concern ref noise during festivals. 2. Fear of negative affect on wildlife. 3. Concern 8/18/2023 11:36 AM over impact on quiet village life cp Crickhowel during Green Man Festival. I am supportive of Talybont community development, but not at any cost. Not information has 49 8/17/2023 3:20 PM been presented although it does appear that what is planned will have multiple adverse impacts (environment, traffic, noise) with inadequate infrastructure.

I very much want to see the local community thrive but I consider that developing Gilestone

Farm as a commercial enterprise to the extent outlined by Green Man Organisation will likely

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have a negative impact. I am in particular concerned about the wildlife as well as the roads / access

I strongly support sustainable development and employment in the area. Economic opportunity and community interests and needs are part of that. Re Question 3 (which is a loaded question as phrased) I would say yes and support events that are proportionate to the site and capacity within the village and sustaining the local environment. However, I'm not a near neighbour and wouldn't be so directly impacted by such events. Any events should be limited in frequency and size. There seems to be in campaigns an assumption that local farming is simply benign and hasn't led to the current biodiversity crisis. That is clearly questionable. I also would like to note concerns about how campaigning and communications on both sides of this issue have been undertaken and lacks transparency abputfunded. It seems to be overlwho is driving some groups and how they are being funded. There also seems to be a political, opportunistic, negative, element seeking political gain rather than the best interests of the community. The campaigning is full of dubious information and claims, at people's approaches are at times poisoning local relations. I welcome the CC seeking to steer away from that.

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My main concern is the initial lack of public consultation by The Welsh Government on how public funds should be spent, not the Greenman Trust using the site as their Welsh headquarters. I would like more information from Greenman on some of their proposals but am guessing their hands may well have been tied by agreements made with The Welsh Government. I am hoping for more clarification but remain positive. Diversification is the key to helping farms to survive which Talybont Farm has done successfully with Gilestone Farm also starting to do so over the last few years. My other concern is the way the Usk Valley Conservation Society have behaved in stoking a toxic environment within the village. Someone is bank rolling the 'anti' feelings along with the aggressive signage that is currently all over the village. Are these signs legal? Whether you agree or disagree, I would argue that both sides should be respectful of everyone who lives here and neither side should be allowed to billboard the village. Our village is looking a disgrace and the hard work of a number of people to keep it looking tidy and welcoming are seemingly for nothing. You haven't stated on this form that information you are collecting is protected by the data information act. Hopefully you will be acting within these guidelines and no-ones personal information will be used in relation to the above.

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I've put no for question 2 purely because there is not enough information to make an informed decision on the impact of the village. The biggest problem we have here is the traffic. There is absolutely no way this village and surrounding small lanes will be able to cope with any extra traffic. It is a gridlock waiting to happen. There are ways around this problem by using another, more accessible piece of land as a car park and provide a shuttle bus to the venue but this would need to be strictly manned and adhered to. Access presently is via small single track bridges from every direction, so unless there are plans to build appropriate access and bridge from the main road, avoiding the village and surrounding lanes, I can't see how this would work. To use the farm for smaller scale projects and sustainable farming practices would be a good idea but more information on numbers and access points are needed. I have no problem with music venues and festivals but this area just does not have the infrastructure to cope and hold such numbers. Even hosting a few extra 100 people needing to come in and out of the area on a daily basis will put extra pressure on the roads. This needs to be looked at very carefully.

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The problem with Q5 - and generally - is that we do not have sufficient precise information about the Green Man plans. However, in the Theatr Brycheiniog March 17th meeting (Fiona Stewart present) it was stated that visitor numbers are not expected to increase (above max already experienced) and no new buildings are proposed. The creative small business hub (including brewing, baking etc.) is surely a good idea. The "live experience events" mentioned don't include music and "there are no plans to offer festivals similar to the Green Man...". Indeed, Gilestone is too small, inaccessible etc. What is crucial is that any lease issued by the Welsh Government excludes inappropriate events and, above all, specifies maximum visitor numbers to any event, and maximum numbers allowed to stay overnight(s) for any event.

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No point in adding further comment as my reasons are not your business

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Question 5 - more information needed in order to answer this question. Question 3- I have major concerns over traffic, access, and environmental issues and the protection of wildlife.

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I cannot answer question 5 as I don't believe I have been given enough information about the Green Man Org. and their plans. I would like to know, with back up information to substantiate

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the claims; 1. Is there enough land to effectively farm and produce grain for the brewery and the bakery and sustainable and regenerative farming and have enough land left to use for festivals, 2. How does GM intent to make £23m? 3. Further details of the jobs claimed, 4. Traffic management off the A40, over a narrow and weight restricted bridge, through the village and along the B roads, on the site where access is over land not owned by Gilestone Farm. Safe escape from the site in the event of an emergency? 5. Noise management and the truth about how many people and number of events are planned to make this money? 6. Last but not least environmental factors on the site and their protection from increased use of land by man and all that comes with that? 58 The community MUST demand two things or the village will be ruined forever: 1) there must be 8/14/2023 1:26 PM a restrictive clause in any lease signed with Green Man that limits any gatherings or events at Gilestone to fewer than 500 people 2) there must be a guarantee from the Welsh Government that if they sell the freehold to Green Man, then there must be a restrictive clause in the memorandum of sale that limits gatherings or events at Gilestone to fewer than 500 people. If both of these are not achieved, then Fiona Stewart will be able to do whatever she likes, and Talybont will become the home for a new festival. Ms Stewart has not engaged with the community and has ignored the wishes of the residents. If there is no legal restraint on her, then she will continue to do whatever she wants, without considering the wishes of the village. 59 Why is there no 'undecided' option in the survey questions? 8/14/2023 1:07 PM 60 I am undecided if the proposed development is a good Idea, but the survey does not offer me 8/14/2023 1:01 PM a don't know/undecided option. 61 1. A total waste of taxpayers money to fund a successful private companies 'plan', when other 8/14/2023 12:53 PM struggling business have not been given this luxury. Why has the Welsh Government chosen to support this festival management company over other businesses, when there have been hundreds of job loses across Wales this year? For example, redundancies in food production companies in Abergavenny, Abertillery and Anglessy. Unfair and unjust way to treat local existing family run bakeries, breweries, and farming businesses that that been self-built up over the years, without been given a tax payer asset solely available to themselves. 2. Why can't the farm be put out to tender to the experts in land management and food production- i.e FARMERS! This would be most appropriate to offer as an agricultural college to Young Farmers. 3. The thriving village community, infrastructure and wildlife would be seriously threatened with the influx of 3000 festival goers, and that visitor number could rise. The increase in traffic, litter, sewerage noise and light pollution would be horrendous. The pubs are already busy, and with lack of housing within this area, finding people to service these establishments all year round is difficult already. Where are the 38 full time job employees going to live? There are on average 20 applicants to each rented home within this part of Wales, with low housing stock readily available in both the private and rental market, 4, Lack of consultation with the residents and taxpayers about the 'Gilestone Farm plan'. A glossy leaflet sent out from the company, who will themselves gain the most benefit from the £4.25 million pound public funded investment, gives very little detail on what it will actually look like in reality, and to reap a 23 million profit, will realistically involve bringing large numbers of people into a National Park, SSI and SAC area. This will cause much harm to the environment at a time when Welsh Government have declared a 'Climate Emergency'. Mid Powys already has an established site for large rural gatherings- The Royal Welsh Showground near Builth Wells. It seems logical that this site already has the infrastructure. The show had to omit the horticulture section from this years show due to financial difficulties, and would welcome investment through renting out the site. 5. Gilestone Farm lies in a flood plain, has a shared driveway, rare plants and wildlife, and is totally unsuitable to what we have been drip fed through the press. The Welsh Government have shown our community no respect, and have attempted to bring an unwanted project into an area through the back door. We are in a nature emergency as declared by the Welsh Government, and we must question 62 8/13/2023 11:11 PM the sustainability and impact of everything we do. We must put the management and protection of our natural resources foremost, reducing carbon emissions and curtailing

We are in a nature emergency as declared by the Welsh Government, and we must question the sustainability and impact of everything we do. We must put the management and protection of our natural resources foremost, reducing carbon emissions and curtailing consumption. Festivals or gatherings have a huge impact on resources, creating waste, emissions and pollution. This is an expensive, green washed, unwanted Welsh Government vanity project. Sell the farm and put the money to housing and supporting the many vulnerable homeless people existing on our streets.

3 for the price of 1 ... Events are a form of mass tourism characterised as 'high volume, high impact & low spend' with profits mostly accruing to the organiser. This is the EXACT OPPOSITE of what we need which is 'low volume, low impact & high spend' with the profits

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shared across our existing businesses. If new tourism business is wanted, then it's of most value in spring and autumn not in the summer when we don't need additional visitors. The Green Man proposals will compete with and damage our existing businesses, it will disrupt our community and harm our environment. How dare Welsh Government foist unwanted festivals on our community, how dare they spend public money on a farm simply to use up end of year underspend, how dare they keep their plans secret from the people that will be most affected, how dare they use public money to benefit a private business owner, how dare they promote a business in competition with our hard working existing businesses, how date they damage our environment. How dare they.

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- From the outset it would appear that the Welsh Govt acted with impetuous haste not paying heed to the total inappropriateness of Gilestone Farm being exploited commercially in the ways outlined. This enterprise would be far better suited to being sited in a brownfield site possibly in the Valleys or at the Royal Welsh Showground where existing infrastructure exists (unlike around Talybont on Usk). Important wildlife concerns seem to have been conveniently sidelined Gilestone is an important area for critically-endangered curlews (the subject of national Govt-backed support and funding), likewise a foraging area for rare lesser horseshoe bats. A hugely significant breeding colony of world importance. Then there are the myriad of other flora and fauna species which rely on the area for their survival. Forming a potential for important biodiversity recovery, an ideal to which the Welsh Government purports to aspire. How does it square this circle? The area also floods extensively posing an enormous threat to any development on the farm other than farming. There is no infrastructure to support light industry. Does the Government realise that through its total incompetence in this matter, it is totally to blame for the general disquiet amongst what used to be a cohesive and supportive community. Go elsewhere and stop this hypocrisy.
- Based upon the chaos witnessed over the years in respect of traffic, people and camping around the Glanusk Estate during the Green Man Festival, I absolutely dread the effect upon the village of Talybont were these proposals be adopted by the Welsh Government, let alone the wasted money upon the purchase of Gilestone Farm and Rhoose airport when they can't afford to maintain essential services such as the NHS and education due to funding issues. Along with many young farmers, I should welcome Gilestone Farm being used to encourage the development of young farmers in the National Park and thus retain them in the community. Our village is blighted by the vehicle parking issues most weekends and Public Holidays and there is a real need, if our local traders WANT this Gilestone project for reasons of increased trade, then off street vehicle parking throughout our village needs to be increased.

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Very much concerned about traffic increase. Usk bridge not suitable for major increase in heavy traffic. Noise generated will affect whole village. Wildlife habitats will be seriously disrupted.

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Real concerns re the impact on community with huge increase in noise and traffic. # Proposed use of farm will have a major effect on lives of people living in the village. #Total disregard for wildlife # Income figures quoted are a nonsence.

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Qu. 2. I would support sustainable and appropriate business development on the site such as the suggested brewery/bakery but not wide scale camping. In last years green man post event survey it was asked'would people be prepared to camp elsewhere and be bused into the site daily', this suggests Gilestone could end up a giant campsite which would still bring overcrowding, noise and too much traffic to our small village, so I do not support this element.

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1. Whilst diversification and new business ventures are important for economic growth and for developing opportunities for young people in the area, I am very concerned about the environmental impact of this project and its potential for long term damage to wildlife. 2. Live experiences/music events will cause noise and traffic issues to a level that impacts hugely on the local community and on visitors to Talybont who come here to enjoy the tranquil surroundings. 3. I am extremely concerned that little information has been made public about how these issues will be addressed. The terms used so far in both Welsh Government statements and by Green Man (e.g. 'licensed events will have traffic and sound management plans agreed by relevant authorities') does not inform anyone of 'how' this will be done. Without addressing these issues in more detail it is impossible to see how live events will be run without significant disruption to the environment, to residents and to people who travel into Talybont to work. 4. The information provided so far is so broad in its claims that it is impossible to judge whether the 'opportunities' as outlined will outweigh the very real environmental, noise and traffic issues that will be caused. I am concerned this is rhetoric over reality. If Green Man really can use the land at Gilestone Farm to achieve all that they claim,

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	why have residents not had the opportunity to meet and hear more detail about how those aspirations might be achieved?	
70	Sustainable farming. How much land will be left after Tourism? Camping, glamping, car parking for festivals and tourists. New buildings for enterprises Festival site, new access roads, both in and out. Wildlife, bats disturbed, curlews driven away. And not to forget FLOODING. I have seen caravans towed away in floods. No thank you Greenman.	8/12/2023 4:06 PM
71	I work for a charity that has received support from the Greenman Trust and have seen a lot of good work from them. I have loved working in the area where I grew up and where I live, and this project will give others the opportunity to do the same. I am concerned that the Community Council is not able to represent the community in a fair manner. There are members of the council who have been very active against the Gilestone Project, and believe they are predetermined and prejudiced in their views. I assume that the project will need to have planning for any development and, as long as the correct procedures are followed, then I see this project in the same light as any other and no reason to oppose it. The Community Council must represent all opinions.	8/12/2023 1:00 PM
72	There has been a lack of openness and, maybe, dishonesty in the information provided on the Gilestone Farm Project by the Welsh Government and by the Green Man organisation from the beginning. This has destroyed any belief that the project can bring any benefit to Talybont.	8/12/2023 12:52 PM
73	The Greenman involved my course in filming at the Greenman Festival when doing a Media Degree in Merthyr College. Their passion to develop and help young people was very obvious. Their presence at Gilestone will be very beneficial for the younger people of the area.	8/12/2023 12:47 PM
74	As with other businesses or developments within Powys, as long as the project meets the requirements to apply for planning and carry out the required environmental surveys, traffic studies, and licensing requirements, I see no reason why The Greenman Trust should not be welcomed to Gilestone Farm. This development will enhance the offering of the area and draw other businesses, tourism, and Future Generation development, leading to jobs and investment for now and the future.	8/12/2023 12:36 PM
75	I'm quite definite about my answers to questions 1,3,4 and 5. Question 2 is more marginal as certain commercial developments might be welcome but, on present information, any such developments appear a very minor part of the Gilestone Farm Project where the focus will be entirely on large scale events - that would seem to be the only way that the forecast financial returns can be achieved.	8/12/2023 11:40 AM
76	Communication re purchase, proposed plans and consultation from Welsh Government has been negligible. A complete waste of non recurrent public money. The land is an SSI area. with significant bird and other wildlife. The land floods significantly even in summer. Access to the site from the A40 is insufficient to cope with any significant traffic- significant accident risks for traffic on the A40- this will be a disaster. Village struggles to cope with the amount of tourism is currently received. Village toilets are unfunded except for donations (Community council and those who don't when using) and cannot cope with current use. Car parking is oversubscribed leaving cars parking right down the village, blocking driveways- adding more people, litter and noise will add to the difficulties experienced, you will not be able to contain everyone on the gilestone site and stop them from entering the village. Noise travels across the valley- there have been a number of issues with weddings held on the gilestone site with noise carrying up the valley late into the night. These are however relatively isolated incidents however regular festivals for big events will cause significant noise pollution. The information provided on the GM website an email drop from GM gives absolutely no detail on how they will generate 23 million or how they will provide jobs- it all feels like a fairy tail. They currently claim significant charity work etc, etc, yet a significant amount of the money they claim to raise is given from the arts council which is funded by tax payers. The land actually requires some understanding as to how best to manage it- a college perhaps to manage the flooding, and make best use of the land, teaching the next generation regarding sustainable farming/ land management- not a festival site!	8/12/2023 10:58 AM
77	Welsh government purchased Gilestone farm without due diligence to secure a site for greenman which they have already failed because the lease will be signed with Fiona Stewart as stated in the first meeting between toucc and WG. Fiona Stewart's claims of jobs and putting 23 million are pure fantasy, She could not do that with 3 gatherings a year /1500-3000 attending . Even at those numbers the traffic/noise and well-being of residents would cause huge disruption to Talybont .	8/12/2023 10:31 AM

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78	The roads and infrastructure of Talybont can't cope with so many people coming to the village. The noise from events will spoil the peace and quiet of the village. Talybont will be swamped by these events and it will spoil the atmosphere of the village. These events should take place in more remote areas away from where people live.	8/11/2023 10:17 PM
79	1 site unsuitable for large outdoor festival style events on many grounds . 2 Could support some of plans for farm buildings if this is where majority of jobs will be created. no detail given 3 No detail at all given about how £ 23 million will be generated , allows suspicion that will be from big outdoor events . 4 WG incompetence in purchase process leads me to believe they will not have scrutinised GM plans , particularly economic claims with any rigour .	8/11/2023 7:21 PM
80	Primary concern is large scale music events and their impact on :- wildlife, noise level, traffic congestion large number of people entering village - litter, limited facilities incl WCs.	8/11/2023 6:33 PM
81	Concerns re Traffic management, noise, wildlife preservation, pollution	8/11/2023 5:40 PM
82	Concerns re Traffic management, noise levels, wildlife preservation and pollution	8/11/2023 5:37 PM
83	Can we decouple the totally incompetent and anti-democratic way this was done secretly at the outset by the WG and the Green Man from the situation we face now where (as I see it), it will either be the Green Man with their plans or the WG selling to a wealthy individual or organisation who would simply want it for the value of the land and not for doing anything for the community - quite possibly not even being resident here. I don't believe Green Man has every really thought through the logistics of holding 3000 strong events at Gilestone given the access and the flood risk so I don't think they'll get the licences they need for that. The rest of their evolving plans look promising & would hopefully build on Chas's veg and the other micro businesses based at Gilestone today. But WG and GM DO need to build a listening/responsive relationship/partnership with the community to make it work. I haven't seen any signs of that. But PLEASE can we take the extremist and devisive posters down. Thank you.	8/11/2023 5:14 PM
84	My answer to question 4 would only apply on the basis that the farm would be open to tender for local farmers and not the Welsh Government / Green Man Company. Our public services here in Wales are in such a dire state and I'm truly appalled that the Welsh Government see this as an appropriate use of tax payers money. This is without considering their sheer lack of due diligence when procuring the property for a private company.	8/11/2023 4:35 PM
85	Concern-Size of events (3000+ people) sustainability is significant concern. Generating concerns over noise pollution, waste pollution, traffic pollution, impact to environment, sustainability of local infrastructure. However, if managed correctly in line with statutory planning and environmental measures, commercial development must be embraced. The village is aging, there is little opportunity for the next generation. There is a huge opportunity to develop jobs for locals in strict, cutting edge environmental sustainable ways which must be embraced. There is little confidence that the Welsh Government is being truly transparent which makes people nervous. However, it should be for the local population stakeholders along with planning officials and local government authorities to ensure this transparency whilst embracing future development opportunities. The anti-campaign has sickened me to the core and is a major concern. The nature of the posters, gossip and social media coverage demonstrates the very worse of our local community. Posters are blighting the environment energy and money could be better employed in so many other community needs. The Welsh government, whether rightly or wrongly, have bought the land, they are here to stay. Efforts should be taken to embrace, work collaboratively and ensure decisions respect the environment and provide positive employment and wellbeing opportunities for the community. No number of large posters and nasty discussions will enable this. The divisions this matter is causing is awful and I have never felt so isolated from the community values in the entirety of my time here.	8/11/2023 4:10 PM
86	1. My main concern is that the Green Man Project is being developed in totally the wrong location. It would be better located in an area of high unemployment. 2. Public transport is very poor in this area which means the GM will require more carbon emitting journeys to use the farm. 3. The large numbers of visitors generated by GM would be detrimental to the wildlife of the area. 4. I do not consider that the proposed uses are appropriate for a rural area of the National Park	8/11/2023 3:46 PM
87	1. My specific interest is wildlife on the farm. I fear for the endangered lesser horseshoe bat which forages across the farm land and which is disturbed by noise, smoke and light. 2. I am concerned about the threat to the Special Area of Conservation on part of the farm and the quality and environment of the river Usk. 3. I am concerned about the landscape visual, traffic	8/11/2023 3:35 PM

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	and noise impact of the use of the farm land when activities take place on it. No account has been taken by the WG or the GM of the adjacent authorised caravan site and the Outdoor Centre which has recently received permission for camping. Together these will all create a damaging blot on the landscape 4. Talybont is already a busy visitor/tourism village with successful canal/mountain biking and walking events. The type of event and activity proposed by GM are totally different in nature, less sustainable and will overwhelm the village and its community.	
88	My main concerns are 1) the lack of information about how the environment will be protected and how the Green Man vision can possibly enhance biodiversity in the valley 2) the effect the increased activity will impact on the lives of the older people in the village ans the apparent lack of concern about this sizeable sector of the community 3) how the increased activity will cause serious traffic problems for the people in talybont and the back roads from Pencelli and Llangynidr and be detrimental to the normal workings of the farmers who regularly move livestock and feed through the villages. 4) how, if these issues can easily be rederessed, why the community have not had their fears over these issues put to rest.	8/11/2023 2:15 PM
39	Village can't cope with anymore tourism, I have concerns of noise, I do support sustainable farming,I don't agree with increasing the amount of people that can stay on site or the increase in large regular events this could be ever weekend there would never be and peace and quiet	8/11/2023 1:40 PM
00	I feel generally positive towards the project and towards the green man and their ethos and values. Also as an aside my children both worked at the GM festival and felt like their staff care was much better than at other festivals. I dont agree that the farm and land would be better used as a farm for one family, this project may benefit more people. I also dont think that farms are always operated with care for the environment as the first and foremost principle which I would want the project to be committed to. I dont feel it's fair for me to answer the question about events as although I am minded to welcome them and may benefit from being able to attend I appreciate that any noise etc of these wont potentially impact on me as they may on people in Talybont. The thing that I feel is the worst aspect of this proposal(surely worse than the actual thing itself as far as a negative impact on the community?) is the negativity it has created in the village, the signs everywhere and the general nimbyism feeling, it just seems quite sad.	8/11/2023 1:19 PM
)1	1. Traffic increase from any of the proposed activities from Gilestone would cause major problems for our community. We would not be able to cope with the huge increase in vehicles visiting Gilestone Farm. The bridge over the river Usk has a weight restriction on it and the road sinks the Talybont side. There have been a few temporary repairs done to the road to try and resolve this issue, but it does not last long. So obviously an increase in traffic is going to cause a major problem entailing a major repair to the bridge and road. 2. I think it will deter our regular visitors to the village from coming to stay in the holiday lets and camp site. They come to the village for the beautiful countryside and to relax in the peace and quiet. If you lose these visitors, I feel it will not be good for the local shop/cafe and pubs. 3. I lived in the village through the last Gilestone Farm Saga when we had live music every weekend on one bandstand with at most 800 people at the caravan park. That changed the whole atmosphere of the village, it was horrendous. To now consider 3000 people which could increase at a later	8/11/2023 1:16 PM

planned. Large Music Festivals are of great concern to the majority of people locally . If there were to be any consideration for the views of the public and to allow this project to continue a simple clause in the lease to prevent these events would be an easy solution. The fact that the Welsh Government landlord has not pursued this as a way forward just leads to even more suspicion about longer term intent on this becoming a mini Glastonbury.

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date is totally unacceptable for our community. It would destroy the Talybont-on-Usk we all

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