

Subject: Tyn y Capel

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The closure of the Tyn y Capel was an act of vandalism. This historic pub was the heart of the village. It's name is possibly unique in Wales, certainly unique in the area. It is said that monks of old used to drink there. It is typically welsh-----look for the steeple & there's the pub---- invaluable at weddings, christenings & sadly funerals. The removal of the signage has given the village a "sorry feel", a Care Home sign would look awful.

The pub provided a natural focus for village life. It was undoubtedly mismanaged yet still attracted a viable clientele.

The proposed plans are littered with all sorts of problems:

H&S issues. As you know Minera is hilly and there is a steep drop on the mountain side. The pub is close to a road & children's playground. Can constant vigilance be guaranteed? The staff are not from the community & travel to work when young children are on their way to school.

Employment. The pub used to employ local people.

Heritage. The building was once listed. Recent changes have been out of character-----the proposed changes would be a disaster!

The Five Crosses is not a good alternative.

I urge you to put a halt to these plans and make every effort to give Minera back it's soul.

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