

# Julien BRUN

INDEPENDENT

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## My Motivation

I'm stepping forward because I believe Penparcau and Aberystwyth deserve active, visible, and accountable representation. We are full of energy, creativity, and potential. However, too often, people feel disconnected from how decisions are made. Let's change that.

I'm passionate about protecting our vital green and community spaces, which are essential for wellbeing, sustainability, and social cohesion. I also believe in backing independent businesses that contribute to the character of the town and keep our streets vibrant.

My number one priority will be to empower residents through civic engagement; helping them understand what the councils do, how to get involved, and why their voice matters. Now is the right time to step up and help more people feel they can too.

## Who Am I?

Originally from Marseille, France, I lived in London for 10 years before choosing to settle in Aberystwyth three and a half years ago. Since arriving, I've become actively involved in local life; I created Aberystwyth App, founded Aberystwyth Fronrunners, and organised "Welcome to Aberystwyth" meet-ups to help newcomers feel at home in our town.

I bring 12 years of experience in the tech industry across financial and advertising services. I've worked in both fast-paced start-ups and large companies. My professional experience has equipped me with strong delivery, leadership, and stakeholder management skills, all of which I'm keen to put to good use locally.

## From the community

"The Aberystwyth App punches above its weight for a small town and has helped our art business to gain visibility in the Community. Julien's interest in community matters and inclusion, whether that is with the freelance or new to Aber community, has made us feel welcomed and valued"

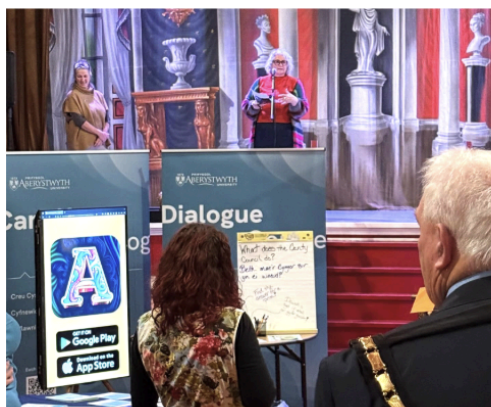
**Polly Ernest**

“When I first moved to Aberystwyth, Julien played a key role in helping me feel part of the community. Through the running club that he managed - Fronrunners - I was introduced to a wide network of people which very quickly made Aber feel like home. Julien has a clear ability to create welcoming environments where others can thrive, and I believe would be a great addition to the town council as a result.” **Sam Walker**

“The App has been an invaluable asset for exposure and sales. Lovely design >and great service. It’s wonderful that this has been created by someone who's agenda isn't funding but wanting to promote the town.” **Aberystwyth App contributor**

“We’re very thankful, as a local business, for all that you and the Aberystwyth App have done to bring visibility to our venture and for the support you’ve shown us from the very beginning. We really appreciate the work being done to strengthen support for local businesses in Aberystwyth.” **Iolo Ap Dafydd, Aberpoeth**

"The Freelance Aberystwyth group has been a great asset for the town. Julien's organising skills and friendly approach have made me feel welcome and realise there's a great wealth of expertise and the desire to collaborate in Aberystwyth, to make the town a better place." **Chris Woodfield, Aber Food Surplus**



Aberystwyth App at Cynefin in Ceredigion



Aberystwyth Fronrunners stall at pride