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My story idea would revolve mainly around rivers, streams and other freshwater habitats in Mid Wales. I am very passionate about rivers in general and go out every day filming and photographing aspects of them. Indeed, I'm known as 'The River Man'. I have appeared on a number of TV programmes due to my interest in rivers. Rivers are a huge part of my life and I have developed beautiful relationships with them over a number of years. I am autistic and have struggled with my mental health (I left teaching on health grounds) but rivers have always helped and been there for me. I give illustrated talks to groups on aspects of rivers and run workshops; this has included ones on the Dyfi and Ystwyth. I have recently completed a series of six events on the Atlantic Salmon.

I have a very strong connection to the Dyfi, Rheidol and Ystwyth rivers and have explored and filmed all three catchments extensively. One of my all time favourite walks is on Pumlumon, where I visit the source of a number of rivers, including the Rheidol. I snorkel in rivers also and have specialised in underwater photography. My idea would be to show how important rivers and their wider catchments are to ecology and the environment. This would include filming in specific and known relevant locations that would have the greatest impact. In addition, I would show how important freshwater is from pools and scrapes to larger ponds and lakes. Due to my experience and through my own research as well as liaising with others, I have an in-depth knowledge of many aspects of rivers and am referred to often as an expert. I have co-written a book on river potholes of Wales, called The River and the Rock.

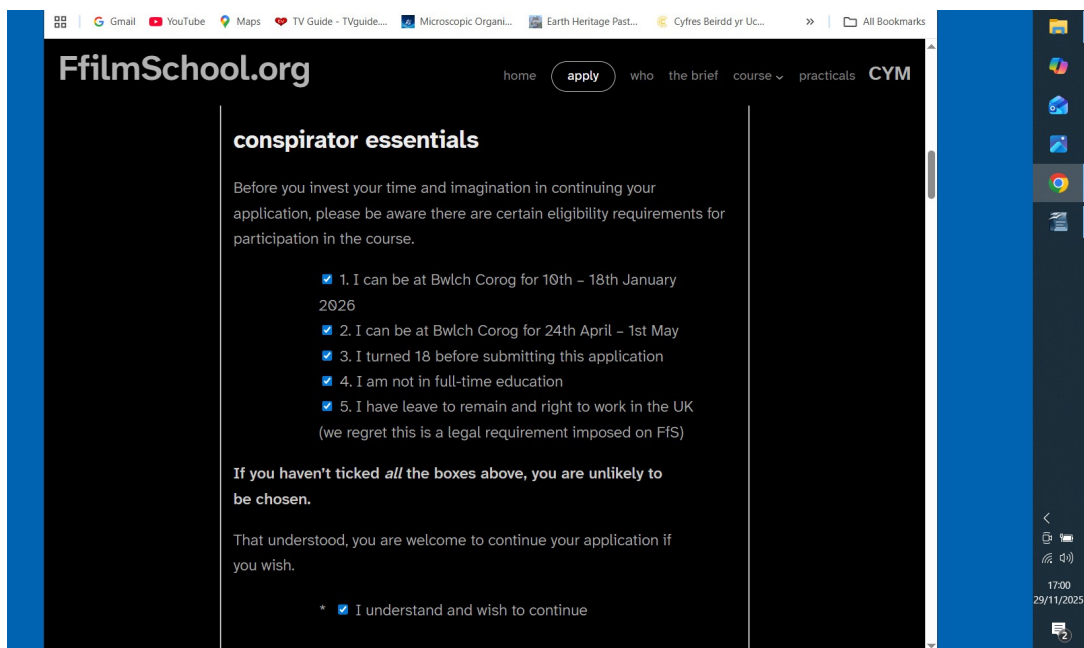
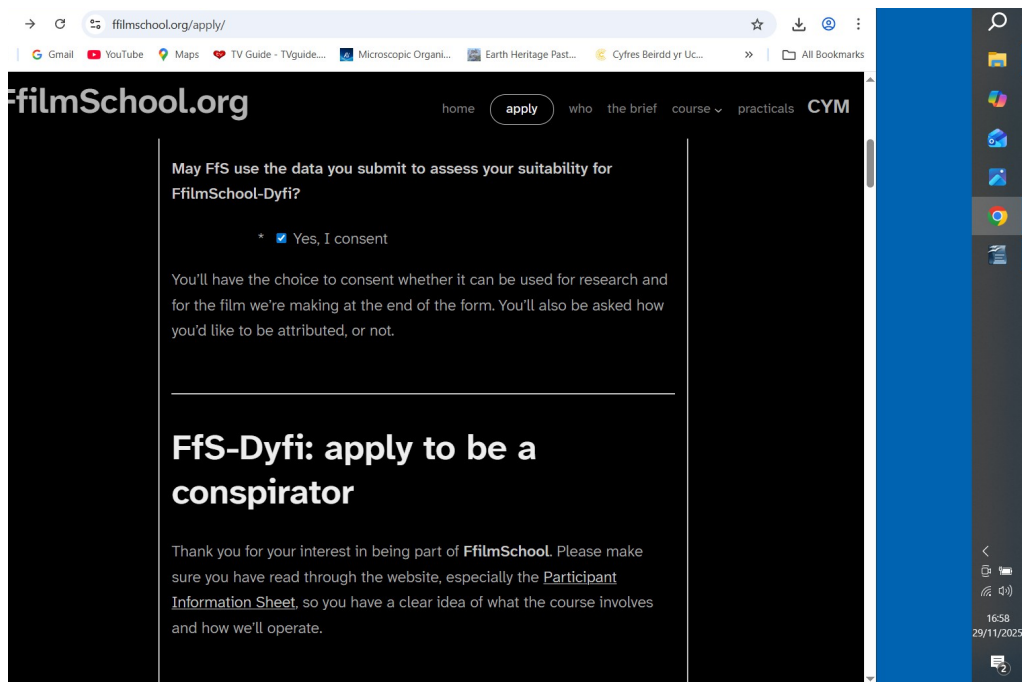
I have several themes I look linked to rivers but the main ones are -

- Wildlife
- Environment
- Geomorphology
- History/heritage
- Aesthetics e.g. of flow, formations

I would show rivers and streams in their wider context and demonstrate how important woodland is as well as riparian vegetation in general. Showcasing temperate rainforests would be another aspect e.g. in the Dyfi catchment. The importance of in-channel woody debris would also be shown as well as the crucial importance of peat in the uplands, as they are a vital sink for carbon but also a great habitat for a range of wildlife.

I am a first language Welsh speaker and am passionate about Welsh culture, history and heritage. I have researched aspects of these on many rivers including the Ystwyth, Rheidol and Dyfi. I post regularly on my Facebook page and do so bilingually <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100082282211593>

I would love to work on this project and feel that I have the necessary skills, passion and knowledge to do justice to a field that I care deeply about.



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I identify with one or more of these and have a significant connection to the Dyfi, Rheidol, and/or Ystwyth watersheds:

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☒ Yes

☐ Yes, but I do not consider myself to have a strong connection to the region.

☐ No, but I have a strong connection to the region.

☐ Neither.

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Do you consent for us to use the form to work out if you're the right fit for FfS-Dyfi?

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☒ Yes, I consent.

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Would you like to be named?

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☒ I would like to be named.

☐ I would like to stay anonymous.

permission to use your ideas?

