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RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD	NOTICE OF MEETING
PWYLLGOR GWAITH	THE EXECUTIVE
DYDD LLUN 20 MEHEFIN 2016 10.00 o'r gloch	MONDAY 20 JUNE 2016 10.00 am
SIAMBR Y CYNGOR SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR LLANGFNI	COUNCIL CHAMBER COUNCIL OFFICES LLANGFNI
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J A Roberts (Is-Gadeirydd/Vice-Chair) and Alwyn Rowlands

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Aled Morris Jones

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I Aelodau'r Cyngor Sir / To the Members of the County Council

Bydd aelod sydd ddim ar y Pwyllgor Gwaith yn cael gwahoddiad i'r cyfarfod i siarad (ond nid i bleidleisio) os ydy o/hi wedi gofyn am gael rhoddi eitem ar y rhaglen dan Reolau Gweithdrefn y Pwyllgor Gwaith. Efallai bydd y Pwyllgor Gwaith yn ystyried ceisiadau gan aelodau sydd ddim ar y Pwyllgor Gwaith i siarad ar faterion eraill.

A non-Executive member will be invited to the meeting and may speak (but not vote) during the meeting, if he/she has requested the item to be placed on the agenda under the Executive Procedure Rules. Requests by non-Executive members to speak on other matters may be considered at the discretion of The Executive.

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A G E N D A

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

To receive any declaration of interest from any Member or Officer in respect of any item of business.

2 URGENT MATTERS CERTIFIED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR HIS APPOINTED OFFICER

No urgent matters at the time of dispatch of this agenda.

3 MINUTES (Pages 1 - 10)

To submit for confirmation, the minutes of the meetings of the Executive held on the following dates:-

- 26th May, 2016 (9.00am) (Extraordinary)
- 31st May, 2016

4 THE EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 11 - 24)

To submit a report by the Head of Democratic Services.

5 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ANGLESEY PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD (Pages 25 - 28)

To submit a report by the Chief Executive.

6 FINAL ACCOUNTS 2015/16 (Pages 29 - 44)

To submit a report by the Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer.

7 LOWERING AGE OF ADMISSION AT YSGOL BRYNSIENCYN (Pages 45 - 48)

To submit a report by the Head of Learning.

8 PURCHASE OF LAND TO IMPROVE THE A5025 (Pages 49 - 68)

To submit a report by the Head of Highways, Waste and Property.

9 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC (Pages 69 - 70)

To consider adopting the following:

“Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on item 8 below on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test”.

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10 **MODERNISING SCHOOLS ON ANGLESEY – REVIEWING THE MODERNISING ANGLESEY SCHOOLS STRATEGIC OUTLINE PROGRAMME** (Pages 71 - 82)

To submit a report by the Head of Learning.

11 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC** (Pages 83 - 84)

To consider adopting the following:

“Under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on item 8 below on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test”.

12 **MODERNISING ANGLESEY SCHOOLS – REVISION OF THE STRATEGIC OUTLINE PROGRAMME (REQUEST FOR CHANGE)** (Pages 85 - 92)

To submit a report by the Head of Learning.

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THE EXECUTIVE

Minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 26 May, 2016

- PRESENT:** Councillor Ieuan Williams (Chair)
Councillor J. Arwel Roberts (Vice-Chair)
- Councillors Kenneth Hughes, Aled Morris Jones, H. Eifion Jones
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive
Assistant Chief Executive (Partnerships, Community and Service Improvement)
Head of Function (Resources) and Section 151 Officer
Housing Services Business Manager (NM)
Committee Officer (ATH)
- APOLOGIES:** Councillors Richard Dew, Alwyn Rowlands
- ALSO PRESENT:** Councillors Lewis Davies, Victor Hughes, Llinos Medi Huws
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1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declaration of interest was received.

2 MATTER REFERRED BACK TO THE EXECUTIVE FOLLOWING A CALL-IN – LLAWR Y DREF BUSINESS CASE

- It was reported that the Corporate Scrutiny Committee at its meeting held on 12th May, 2016 resolved as follows with regard to Llawr y Dref Business Case:

“To recommend that the Executive suspends the implementation of the decision to allow for full consultation with current tenants and all other stakeholders, within the timescale set out in the Constitution.”

It was resolved to note the resolution of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee from its call-in meeting held on 12 May 2016.

- The report of the Head of Housing Services was presented for the Executive’s consideration.

The report outlined the arrangements for restarting the process for remodelling Llawr y Dref including the instigation of a full, formal consultation process with tenants and key stakeholders.

The Portfolio Member for Housing and Social Services reported that the objective is to ensure improvements for current and future tenants of Llawr y Dref and to make the scheme more attractive to new tenants. Informal consultation on the intended remodelling has already taken place and it is proposed that a formal process be now undertaken in accordance with the timeline set out in the report. He commended the report and recommendations to the Executive.

The Housing Services Business Manager elaborated on the proposed process for conducting the formal consultation exercise including the anticipated key dates and activities. The Officer confirmed that to that end a Consultation Document is to be issued and this will address the reasons for remodelling the scheme, details of the scheme, upgrading the building and flats, future letting arrangements and the improvement of the scheme’s general security.

It was resolved –

- **To grant the Leader and the Portfolio Holder for Housing delegated authority to approve a Consultation Document with regard to the remodelling of the Llawr y Dref scheme in Llangefni.**
- **In accordance with the requirements of Part 4 of the Housing Act 1985, to begin the formal consultation process with all tenants of the Llawr y Dref scheme regarding the proposal to remodel and change of designation.**
- **To initiate a consultation process with key stakeholders including the Police, Town Council, the Town's Chamber of Commerce and local residents regarding the proposal to remodel and change the designation of the Llawr y Dref scheme.**

**Councillor Ieuan Williams
Chair**

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THE EXECUTIVE

Minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2016

- PRESENT:** Councillor Ieuan Williams (Chair)
Councillor J Arwel Roberts (Vice-Chair)
- Councillors K P Hughes, A M Jones, H E Jones and Alwyn Rowlands.
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive,
Assistant Chief Executive (Governance and Business Process Transformation) (for items 10, 12 & 13),
Assistant Chief Executive (Partnerships, Community and Service Improvement),
Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer,
Head of Democratic Services (for item 4),
Head of Transformation (for item 5),
Head of Children's Services (for items 9, 11 & 12),
Principal Valuation Officer (TDE) (for item 8),
Senior Property Officer (Property) (GJ) (for item 13),
Housing Strategy and Development Manager (LR) (for item 13),
Senior Planning Officer (Joint Planning Policy Unit) (ME) (for item 13),
Committee Officer (MEH).
- ALSO PRESENT:** Councillors Lewis Davies, Jeff M. Evans, John Griffith, R. Meirion Jones, Alun Mummery.
- APOLOGIES:** Councillor R A Dew.

1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declaration of interest was received.

2 URGENT MATTERS CERTIFIED BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR HIS APPOINTED OFFICER

None reported.

3 MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Executive held on 25 April, 2016 were presented for confirmation.

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Executive held on 25 April, 2016 be confirmed as correct.

4 THE EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The report of the Head of Democratic Services incorporating the Executive's Forward Work Programme for the period June 2016 to January 2017 was presented for the Executive's approval.

The Head of Democratic Services reported on the changes in the updated Work Programme as follows :-

- Items 2 and 7 are new to the Executive's Work Programme and will be discussed at the 20 June, 2016 meeting;
- A new item on Lowering the Admission Age for Brynsiencyn Primary School will be discussed at the 20 June, 2016 meeting;
- Items 13 and 17 are new to the Executive's Work Programme and will be discussed at the 19 September, 2016 meeting;
- Item 19 are new to the Executive's Work Programme and will be discussed at the 17 October, 2016 meeting.

It was RESOLVED to confirm the Executive's updated Forward Work Programme for the period June 2016 to January 2017.

5 CORPORATE SCORECARD - QUARTER 4, 2015/16

The report of the Head of Corporate Transformation incorporating the final scorecard of the financial year 2015/16 was presented for the Executive's consideration.

The Portfolio Holder for Human Resources, Information Technology and Council Business stated that he was disappointed with the increase in the long term sickness absence figures which were highlighted within the report. However, he noted that the 'Back to Work' interview figures had improved and sickness levels needs to be addressed within the 'back to work' interview. He noted that discussions have taken place within the Senior Leadership Team; each department will be required to address the issue of sickness absence. The Portfolio Holder stated that a Members Workshop will be arranged to discussion issues relating to the way forward to improving sickness absence across the authority.

The Chief Executive reiterated that the SLT have given considerable attention to the long term sickness levels. He noted that the Human Resources Section have been asked to produce an action plan to be submitted to the next Senior Leadership Team, with regard to the processes and practices with regard to sickness management.

It was RESOLVED to accept the report and to note the mitigation measures as outlined within the report.

6 REVENUE BUDGET DRAFT OUTTURN 2015/16

The report of the Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer setting out the provisional outturn for the financial year 2015/16 was presented to the Executive for consideration.

The Portfolio Holder (Finance) stated that the overall projected financial position for 2015/16 on budgets controlled by services has shown an underspend of £1.8m. However he noted that after taking into account the additional funding provided during the year, one off items of income and the reduction in capital financing costs, the final outturn highlighted budget pressures Service budgets and in particular on the demand lead services e.g. Children's Services. He wished to thank the Senior Leadership Team, the Finance Department for their hard work in respect of the performance of the underspend in the revenue budget for 2015/16.

It was RESOLVED to note the following :-

- **The position set out in respect of financial performance for 2015/16;**
- **The outturn reported within the report remains provisional until the completion of the statutory audit.**

7 CAPITAL OUTTURN REPORT 2015/16

The report of the Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer setting out the financial performance of the Capital budget for the 2015/16 financial year, subject to audit was presented to the Executive for consideration.

The Portfolio Holder for Finance highlighted that the final outturn position showed an underspend of £14.3m, mainly arising from slippage in the 21st Century Schools programme and on HRA projects. £7.8m of the slippage will be carried forward to the 2016/17 capital programme. He referred to the capital receipts of £4m received through the sale of assets. The income from the sale of smallholdings was £1.2m below the anticipated level although further sales will take place in 2016/17. These additional sales will ensure that the expenditure incurred on the Smallholdings improvement programme will be fully funded from capital receipts.

It was RESOLVED :-

- **To note the draft outturn position of the Capital Programme 2015/16 that is subject to audit;**
- **To approve the carry-forward of £7.791m to 2016/17 for the underspend on the programme due to slippage.**

8 ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES

The report of the Head of Highways, Waste & Property was incorporating the reviewed Asset Management Policy and Procedures – Policy Review was submitted for the Executive's approval.

It was RESOLVED to endorse the report and adopt the amended Policy.

9 ANGLESEY'S INFORMATION, ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE HUB

The report of the Head of Children's Services was presented seeking the Executive's approval to establish an 'Anglesey Hub' with regard to the above.

The Portfolio Holder (Housing & Social Services) outlined the report to the Committee with regard to Anglesey's Information, Advice and Assistance Hub.

The Head of Children's Services stated it is essential when children and their families and carers require additional support they are able to access information, advice and assistance so that they can make informed decisions on how best to achieve their desired outcomes. This is a period of major change, with the advent of the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act 2014 and establishing an Information Advice and Assistance Service is a requirement of that Act. Establishing the Information Advice and Assistance Service will enable the Local Authority to improve the citizens' experience of finding out about care, support and ensure a co-ordinated approach to the pathways of support.

It was RESOLVED :-

- **To approve the establishment of an 'Anglesey Hub', which will act as a 'one stop shop' for any enquiries relating to the provision of Information, Advice and Assistance (Social Services and Wellbeing) for Children and Families on Anglesey;**
- **To note that Part 9 of the Social Services and Wellbeing Act states that the Director of Social Services has overall responsibility for the Information, Advice and Assistance Service; that this be delegated on her behalf to the Head of Children Services and that the new service sits under the management of Children's Services.**

10 COMMISSIONING BOARD FOR NORTH WALES

The report of the Head of Adult's Services was presented seeking the Executive's approval to establish a Commissioning Board for North Wales.

It was RESOLVED to agree to the establishment of a Commissioning Board for North Wales to replace the former Regional Commissioning, Procurement and Monitoring Hub.

11 PROGRESS REPORT ON THE NORTH WALES REGIONAL SAFEGUARDING BOARDS FOR CHILDREN AND OLDER PEOPLE

The progress report of the Assistant Chief Executive as Statutory Director of Social Services was presented with regard to the North Wales Regional Safeguarding Boards for Children and Older People for the Executive's consideration.

It was RESOLVED to note the contents of the progress report prepared by the Business Manager of the Boards and that a report within a year regarding progress on identified priorities.

12 REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD

The joint report of the Head of Children's Services and the Head of Adult's Services was presented for the Executive's approval with regard to the establishment of a Regional Partnership Board.

The Portfolio Holder (Housing & Social Services) stated that the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014 requires the establishment of a Regional Partnership Board which are statutory boards within each region in Wales. The Act also requires local authorities to make arrangements to promote co-operation with their relevant partners and others in relation to adults with needs for care and support, carers and children. He further stated that the Act also provides for partnership arrangements between local authorities and Local Health Boards for the discharge of their functions.

The Assistant Chief Executive (Governance and Business Process Transformation) stated that there has been extensive regional partnership working between North Wales authorities for a number of years. The workshop held on 14 March, 2016 with members of the current Partnership Forum and Leadership Groups considered two options to comply with the requirements within Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014. It was agreed that the preferred option was Option 1 as it was not felt that the Regional Partnership Board would be able to manage the mixing of strategic and operational responsibilities and it was felt that this would impede its effectiveness. The Assistant Chief Executive further stated that a representative from the Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board will also be a member of the Board.

The Chair referred to the Public Services Board and expressed his concern that there might be some duplication of service with the Regional Partnership Board. He hoped that a review of the services provided by both the Boards will be undertaken. The Chair asked for a presentation on the performance of the Boards can be afforded to the monthly Elected Members briefing meetings within 3 to 6 months.

It was RESOLVED to approve the establishment of a Regional Partnership Board as outline in Option 1 of the report.

13 CONSULTATION ON TRAVELLER AND GYPSY SITES IN ANGLESEY - THE CONSULTATION PROCESS

The report of the Head of Housing Services was presented to the Executive for consideration with regard to the consultation on Traveller and Gypsy Sites.

The Portfolio Holder (Housing & Social Services) stated that extensive consultation has been given to the proposals for possible gypsy and travellers sites, with public meetings, 'drop-in' sessions and meetings with Town and Community Councils and

Officers of the County Council. The opinion of gypsies and travellers also needed to be heard within the consultation process and an independent facilitator has facilitated this process. He stated that 3 sites need to be identified on Anglesey – a temporary stopping place in Holyhead, a temporary stopping place in the Centre of the Island, and a permanent site in the Menai area for the four households who at present are located at an unauthorised encampment in the lay-by on the A5025 near Pentraeth. This process of identifying Traveller and Gypsy Sites is a statutory duty under the Housing (Wales) Act 2014 which also strengthens the requirement that local authorities identify and make provision for sufficient appropriate sites in their Local Development Plans. He stated that the gypsy and traveller community have a statutory right to live the way they wish but they also must respect the authority's rights to ensure that they respect the rules that will be in place on the identified site. He noted that financial assistance by Welsh Government will be afforded to local authorities to establish a permanent traveller sites but no financial assistance will be given to the establishment of temporary stopping places.

The Portfolio Holder referred to the 3 sites identified in Holyhead and none of the sites are suitable to progress or to be included in the Local Development Plan. Discussion will now be undertaken with the Port Authority within the next few weeks. 2 sites were identified in the Centre of the Island but none of the sites were suitable and a further consultation process will be needed to locate a suitable temporary stopping place for gypsies and travellers, with a future consultation including privately owned land.

The Portfolio Holder referred to the permanent site required in the Menai area and stated that the site located at the lay-by on the A5025 near Pentraeth is inadequate due to its position near a busy main road. The site at present is tolerated until the Council is able to identify a suitable permanent site for the travellers. Whilst the Council own the land proposed for a permanent site at Penhesgyn near Penmynydd, negotiations with the landowner would need to take place to secure suitable access to the site, with the possible purchase of the land. It is therefore recommended that the land at Penhesgyn is included in the Joint Local Development Plan.

The Chair referred to the recent special meeting of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee held on 13th May, 2016 which discussed the Gypsy and Travellers site and considered that valid and meaningful discussions took place at the meeting. He invited Councillor Alun Mummery, Vice-Chair of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee to address the meeting.

Councillor Mummery stated that the Scrutiny Committee were afforded a presentation with regard to the gypsy and traveller's site consultation process and site selection. He noted that the Independent Facilitator who had been asked by the Council to liaise with the gypsy traveller communities and seek their views as part of the consultation afforded an opportunity to address the meeting together with members of the public who had concerns regarding the sites for gypsy and travellers. He referred to the recommendations of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee to the Executive.

The Assistant Chief Executive (Governance and Business Process Transformation) stated that following the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee held on 13th May, 2016 the report on the Permanent Sites in the Menai Area had been updated to address the concerns of the committee with regard to the site at Penhesgyn near Penmynydd in connection with air pollution as it is near the recycling centre. An air quality assessment was commissioned during the consultation process and the summary of the finding were included within the report on the site at Penhesgyn. The Scrutiny Committee also raised concerns to the safety of people from the site entering the recycling centre without permission. The Assistant Chief Executive explained that the proposed site at Penhesgyn would be made secure that children and animals would not be able to enter the recycling centre.

The Assistant Chief Executive further stated that concerns were raised at the Scrutiny Committee as to the impact on local residents who live near the proposed site at Penhesgyn. She noted that the location of the site within the land available will need to be considered carefully to developed to cater for the needs of the travelers whilst at the same time considering the views and concerns of the local residents.

The Executive gave detailed consideration to the reports on the sites for gypsy and traveller's and considered that the design of the identified proposed site at Penhesgyn is paramount.

It was RESOLVED :-

- **To accept the report and to note the consultation processes regarding Gypsy and Traveller site selection.**
- **That following analysis of the response to the consultation exercise and sites assessment exercises outlined within the reports on the Holyhead, Centre of the Island and Menai vicinity it was agreed :-**
 - **Holyhead area – Temporary Site**
 - **That none of the three sites included in the consultation to provide a temporary stopping place in the vicinity of Holyhead should be progressed or included in the Local Development Plan;**
 - **The County Council shall carry out further work to identify alternative sites to meet the need for a temporary stopping place in the Holyhead vicinity, as identified in the statutory Gwynedd and Anglesey Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment 2016 and to comply with the Council's duties under Part 3 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014;**
 - **Further work should be undertaken to understand the level of use of Holyhead port by Gypsy Travellers and the level of unauthorised encampments occurring as a result of travel to and from the port.**
 - **That negotiations be undertaken with the Holyhead Port Authority and shipping companies.**

- **Centre of the Island – Temporary Site**
 - That none of the two sites included in the consultation process should be progressed or included in the Local Development Plan;
 - The County Council will continue to work to identify alternative sites to meet the need for a temporary stopping place in the Centre of the Island, as identified in the statutory Gwynedd and Anglesey Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs assessment 2016 and to comply with the Council's duties under Part 3 of the Housing (Wales) Act 2014;
- **Menai Area – Permanent Site**
 - That land at Penhesgyn near Penmynydd be selected as a possible allocation to meet the accommodation needs of Gypsy and Travellers, subject to the outcome of further investigations to confirm the suitability of the site from a highway safety and health impact perspective and be included in the Joint Local Development Plan;
 - That further engagement be undertaken with the residents of the unauthorised encampment at the lay-by on the A5025 to gain a better understanding of their needs and explain the Council's requirements, and an independent facilitator will be used to facilitate this;
 - That an appropriate consultant be commissioned to prepare site design and submit the requisite planning application: that the consultant and independent facilitator involve the residents of the unauthorised encampments in the design and management of the proposed new site;
 - To engage with local communities and key stakeholders regarding the proposals to develop the site with the aim of building community cohesion;
 - The County Council will enter into discussions with the owner of two fields marked on the (Appendix 1) attached to the report, with a view to their purchase.

The meeting concluded at 11.25 am

**COUNCILLOR IEUAN WILLIAMS
CHAIR**

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to:	The Executive
Date:	20 June 2016
Subject:	The Executive's Forward Work Programme
Portfolio Holder(s):	Cllr Ieuan Williams
Head of Service:	Lynn Ball Head of Function – Council Business / Monitoring Officer
Report Author: Tel: E-mail:	Huw Jones, Head of Democratic Services 01248 752108 JHuwJones@anglesey.gov.uk
Local Members:	Not applicable

A –Recommendation/s and reason/s
<p>In accordance with its Constitution, the Council is required to publish a forward work programme and to update it regularly. The Executive Forward Work Programme is published each month to enable both members of the Council and the public to see what key decisions are likely to be taken over the coming months.</p> <p>The Executive is requested to:</p> <p>confirm the attached updated work programme which covers July 2016 – February 2017;</p> <p>identify any matters subject to consultation with the Council's Scrutiny Committees and confirm the need for Scrutiny Committees to develop their work programmes further to support the Executive's work programme;</p> <p>note that the forward work programme is updated monthly and submitted as a standing monthly item to the Executive.</p>

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Strategic – key corporate plans or initiatives
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B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?

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C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?

The approval of the Executive is sought before each update is published to strengthen accountability and forward planning arrangements.

D – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?

Yes.

DD – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?

Not applicable.

E – Who did you consult?		What did they say?
1	Chief Executive / Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) (mandatory)	The forward work programme is discussed at Heads of Service meetings ('Penaethiaid') on a monthly basis (standing agenda item). It is also circulated regularly to Corporate Directors and Heads of Services for updates.
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	
5	Human Resources (HR)	
6	Property	
7	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
8	Scrutiny	
9	Local Members	Not applicable.
10	Any external bodies / other/s	Not applicable.

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F – Risks and any mitigation (if relevant)		
1	Economic	
2	Anti-poverty	
3	Crime and Disorder	
4	Environmental	
5	Equalities	
6	Outcome Agreements	
7	Other	
FF - Appendices:		
The Executive's Forward Work Programme: July 2016 – February 2017.		

G - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):

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THE EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

Period: July 2016 – February 2017

Updated 09.06.16



The Executive's forward work programme enables both Members of the Council and the public to see what key decisions are likely to be taken by the Executive over the coming months.

Executive decisions may be taken by the Executive acting as a collective body or by individual members of the Executive acting under delegated powers. The forward work programme includes information on the decisions sought, who will make the decisions and who the lead Officers and Portfolio Holders are for each item.

Page 14 It should be noted, however, that the work programme is a flexible document as not all items requiring a decision will be known that far in advance and some timescales may need to be altered to reflect new priorities etc. The list of items included is therefore reviewed regularly.

Reports will need to be submitted from time to time regarding specific property transactions, in accordance with the Asset Management Policy and Procedures. Due to the influence of the external market, it is not possible to determine the timing of reports in advance.

The Executive's draft Forward Work Programme for the period **July 2016 – February 2017** is outlined on the following pages.

Mae'r ddogfen yma hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg
This document is also available in Welsh

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THE EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

Period: July 2016 – February 2017

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Subject & *category and what decision is sought	Decision by which Portfolio Holder or, if a collective decision, why	Lead Service	Responsible Officer/ Lead Member & contact for representation	Pre-decision / Scrutiny (if applicable)	Date to Executive or, if delegated, date of publication	Date to Full Council (if applicable)
July 2016						
1	The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 18 July 2016
2	Welsh Church Act Fund Approval of new arrangements.	A decision is requested from the full Executive as there is a need to approve new arrangements for the administration of the Fund.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones		The Executive 18 July 2016
3	Transformation of the Culture Service To decide on the options to implement following public consultation and expressions of interest.	A decision is requested from the Executive on the preferred options for implementation in Stage 2 of the transformation programme (from April 2016).	Lifelong Learning	Delyth Molyneux Head of Learning Cllr Kenneth P Hughes	11 July 2016	The Executive 18 July 2016
4	Annual Report of the Statutory Director of Social Services (S) Endorsement of report for submission to Council.	This is a public report on the performance and priorities of Social Services within the Council's statutory arrangements. It is expected that there is ownership and understanding of the	Social Services	Caroline Turner Assistant Chief Executive – Governance and Business Process Transformation Cllr Aled Morris Jones	11 July 2016	The Executive 18 July 2016 27 September 2016

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	work programme, successes and challenges across the Council's work. It would not be appropriate, considering the public requirement, that the report is restricted to the attention of the portfolio holder only.					
5	Local Housing Market Assessment 2016	Housing Services	Shan LI Williams Head of Housing Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 18 July 2016	
6	New Destination Anglesey Management Plan 2016 - 2020 Approval.	Regulation and Economic Development	Dylan Williams Head of Regulation and Economic Development Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 18 July 2016	

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7 Community Asset Transfer of Holyhead Park Approval.	The approval of the Executive is sought to approve the community asset transfer of Holyhead Park in order to enhance the facility for the benefit of the community.	Regulation and Economic Development Highways, Waste and Property	Dylan Williams Head of Regulation and Economic Development Dewi Williams Head of Highways, Waste and Property Cllr Richard Dew Cllr J Arwel Roberts		The Executive 18 July 2016	
8 Consultation on Sites for Gypsies and Travellers on Anglesey To consider the results of the latest consultation.	This is a matter for the full Executive as it follows on from previous discussions at meetings of the Executive.	Housing Services	Shan L Williams Head of Housing Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones	19 July 2016	The Executive (Extraordinary Meeting) 25 July 2016	
September 2016						
9 The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 19 September 2016	

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10	<p>Welsh Language Strategy</p> <p>Approval of a language strategy for the island.</p>	The full Executive is requested to make a recommendation to full Council as the document sets a strategic direction for the Welsh language in Anglesey.	Improving Partnerships, Communities and Services	Annwen Morgan Assistant Chief Executive – Improving Partnerships, Communities and Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 19 September 2016	27 September 2016
11	<p>Annual Performance Report - 2015/16 (S)</p> <p>Approval of report and recommendation to full Council.</p>	Forms part of the Council's Policy Framework - a collective decision is required to make a recommendation to the full Council.	Corporate Transformation	Scott Rowley Head of Corporate Transformation Cllr Alwyn Rowlands		The Executive 19 September 2016	27 September 2016
12	<p>Corporate Scorecard – Quarter 1, 2016/17 (S)</p> <p>Quarterly performance monitoring report.</p>	This is a matter for the full Executive as it provides assurance of current performance across the Council.	Corporate Transformation	Scott Rowley Head of Corporate Transformation Cllr Alwyn Rowlands	12 September 2016	The Executive 19 September 2016	
13	<p>2016/17 Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring Report – Quarter 1 (S)</p> <p>Quarterly financial monitoring report.</p>	This is a matter for the full Executive as it provides assurance of current financial position across the Council.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones	12 September 2016	The Executive 19 September 2016	

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14 Final Report of the Scrutiny Outcome Panel: Debt Management Progress report on responding to recommendations 1.3 and 2.2 of the Final Report.	This is a matter for the full Executive in accordance with its decision on 25 April 2016.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones		The Executive 19 September 2016	
October 2016						
15 The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 17 October 2016	
16 Syrian Refugees Progress report regarding the delivery of the resettlement and support programme.	This is a matter for the full Executive in accordance with its decision on 25 April 2016.	Housing	Shan LI Williams Head of Housing Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 17 October 2016	
November 2016						
17 2017/18 Budget (S) To finalise the Executive's initial draft budget proposals for consultation.	This is a matter for the Executive as it falls within the Council's Budget Framework.	Council Business	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones	14 November 2016	The Executive 7 November 2016	

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18	<p>The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S)</p> <p>Approval of monthly update.</p>	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	<p>Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services</p> <p>Cllr Ieuan Williams</p>		The Executive 28 November 2016	
19	<p>Full Business Case for New School at Bro Rhosyr/Bro Aberffraw</p> <p>Approval of business case.</p>	The approval of the full Executive is sought before submitting the Full Business Case to Welsh Government.	Learning	<p>Delyth Molyneux Head of Learning</p> <p>Cllr Kenneth P Hughes</p>	14 November 2016	The Executive 28 November 2016	
20	<p>Transformation of Library Service</p> <p>Following statutory consultation, decide on the structure and nature of the service from April 2017 onwards.</p>	The decision of the full Executive is sought with regard to the preferred model for the libraries service from April 2017.	Learning	<p>Delyth Molyneux Head of Learning</p> <p>Cllr Kenneth P Hughes</p>	TBC	The Executive 28 November 2016	
21	<p>Transformation of the Youth Service</p>	The decision of the full Executive is sought with regard to the preferred model for the youth service from April 2017.	Learning	<p>Delyth Molyneux Head of Learning</p> <p>Cllr Kenneth P Hughes</p>	TBC	The Executive 28 November 2016	

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December 2016						
22	The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 19 December 2016
January 2017						
23	The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 23 January 2017
February 2017						
24	The Executive's Forward Work Programme (S) Approval of monthly update.	The approval of the full Executive is sought to strengthen forward planning and accountability.	Council Business	Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services Cllr Ieuan Williams		The Executive 13 February 2017
25	2017/18 Budget (S) Adoption of final proposals for recommendation to the County Council.	This is a matter for the Executive as it falls within the Council's Budget Framework.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones	6 February 2017	The Executive 13 February 2017 28 February 2017

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26 Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 Adoption of strategy for the new financial year.	This is a matter for the Executive as it falls within the Council's Budget Framework.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	28 February 2017
27 Financial Reserves To provide an update on the situation relating to financial reserves.	This is a matter for the full Executive as it provides assurance of current financial position.	Resources	Marc Jones Head of Function – Resources / Section 151 Officer Cllr Hywel Eifion Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	
28 Charges for non-residential services 2017/18 Approval.	A collective decision is required as the matter involves material financial considerations.	Adults' Services	Alwyn Jones Head of Adults' Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	
29 Standard Charge for Council Care Homes 2017/18 Approval.	A collective decision is required as the matter involves material financial considerations.	Adults' Services	Alwyn Jones Head of Adults' Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	
30 Independent Sector Residential and Nursing Home Fees 2017/18 Approval.	A collective decision is required as the matter involves material financial considerations.	Adults' Services	Alwyn Jones Head of Adults' Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	

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31 Charges for independent home care services 2017/18 Approval.	A collective decision is required as the matter involves material financial considerations.	Adults' Services	Alwyn Jones Head of Adults' Services Cllr Aled Morris Jones		The Executive 13 February 2017	

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ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to:	Executive Committee
Date:	20 June 2016
Subject:	Public Services Board
Portfolio Holder(s):	Cllr Ieuan Williams
Head of Service:	Chief Executive
Report Author: Tel: E-mail:	Llio Johnson, Senior Partnership Manager 01248 752033 lliojohnson@ynysmôn.gov.uk
Local Members:	

A –Recommendation/s and reason/s
<p>The members are asked to consider what option they would prefer when establishing a Public Services Board for Anglesey.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Public Services Board for Anglesey only • A Public Services Board that would collaborate with the Gwynedd Public Services Board. • Merge the Anglesey Public Services Board and the Gwynedd Public Services Board. <p>Note that the decision is not a decision for the county councils only but the decision of the Public Services Boards.</p> <p>The Well-being of Future Generations Act is about ‘sustainable development’ which is the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, by taking action in accordance with the sustainable development principles aim at achieving the 7 well-being goals.</p> <p>The Act establishes a statutory board, known as a public services board, in each local authority area in Wales.</p> <p>There are four statutory members of each board; they are the Local Authority, the Local Health Board, the fire and rescue authority for the area and Natural Resources Wales. Statutory members are collectively responsible for fulfilling the board’s statutory duties.</p>

The statutory duties of the Board includes preparing and publishing a Local Well-being Assessment and a Local Well-being Plan every 4 years and an Annual Progress Report.

The Anglesey and Gwynedd Local Service Board will be discontinued with the advent of these new arrangements

Legally a Public Services Board must be established for the area of Anglesey Local Authority and for Gwynedd Local Authority.

However, the Act provides for two or more public services boards to be able to merge or collaborate if this would assist them in contributing to the achievement of the well-being goals.

The Board may merge only if the same Local Health Board is a member of each board.

Where boards have decided to merge or collaborate, a clear rationale for reaching that determination should be formally documented and considered and any such decision should be formally recorded in the minutes along with the board's determination that they consider the merger or collaboration would assist them in contributing to the achievement of the well-being goals.

Considerations for collaboration / merger:

Collaboration:

The statutory guidance notes the points below regarding collaboration;

A board collaborates if it -

- Co-operates with another board,
- Facilitates the activities of another board,
- Co-ordinates its activities with another board,
- Exercises another board's function on its behalf, or
- Provides staff, goods, services or accommodation to another board.

There is no further guidance but following discussion with Welsh Government Officials, it is understood that the Board has the right to decide and agree the level of collaboration. This can mean that a Board that collaborates can agree to produce one Well-being Assessment and one Well-being Plan etc.

Merge:

The statutory guidance notes the points below regarding merging;

Boards may only merge if–

- (a) The same Local Health Board is a member of each boards seeking or being directed to merge, and
- (b) No other Local Health Board is a member of any of those boards.

However, should two boards merge there is no provision within the act for the boards to de-merge.

Delivery and Administrative support – The Partnership Unit has been established jointly and is jointly funded by the two county councils. The Act notes that it is the responsibility of the authorities to fund the administration of the board but all statutory members are responsible for the delivery of the work.

Statutory Partners – it is likely that the statutory partners and the invited participants will want to continue with the current arrangements and establish a Public Services Board with Gwynedd. These bodies currently work regionally or nationally.

B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?

Not applicable

C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?

Under the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 a Public Services Board for the area of Anglesey Council must be established. The Public Services Board is a statutory Board.

CH – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?

Not applicable

D – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?

No additional costs for the Partnership Unit.

DD – Who did you consult?

What did they say?

1	Chief Executive / Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) (mandatory)	Leader and Chief Executives are statutory members of the Board
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	
4	Human Resources (HR)	
5	Property	
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
7	Scrutiny	
8	Local Members	
9	Any external bodies / other/s	

E – Risks and any mitigation (if relevant)		
1	Economic	
2	Anti-poverty	
3	Crime and Disorder	
4	Environmental	
5	Equalities	
6	Outcome Agreements	
7	Other	

F - Appendices:

FF - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):
Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) 2015 Act

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
REPORT TO:	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
DATE:	20 JUNE 2016
SUBJECT:	SUMMARY OF DRAFT FINAL ACCOUNTS 2015/16
PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S):	COUNCILLOR H E JONES
HEAD OF SERVICE:	MARC JONES
REPORT AUTHOR:	BETHAN H OWEN/CLAIRE KLIMASZEWSKI
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LOCAL MEMBERS:	n/a
A - Recommendation/s and reason/s	
<p>This report presents the draft Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for 2015/16 and the Draft Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2016. The report also presents information about reserves and balances.</p> <p>It is important to note that these figures are unaudited and are subject to change. A report will be presented to the Executive following the completion of the External Audit.</p> <p>Recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the Executive members to note the draft unaudited main financial statements for 2015/16; 2) That the Executive defer consideration of the use of the net balance of £7.412m on the general fund reserve until budget setting for 2017/18. The agreed minimum general reserve is £5m; 3) That the Executive note the position on earmarked reserves and to approve the use or increases to individual reserves as noted in appendix 4; 4) That the Executive note the school balances position; 5) That the Executive note the HRA balances as at 31 March 2016. 	
B - What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?	
n/a	
C - Why is this a decision for the Executive?	
This matter is delegated to the Executive.	
CH - Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?	
Yes	
D - Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?	
Yes	
DD - Who did you consult?	What did they say?

1	Chief Executive / Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) (mandatory)	TBC
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	n/a – this is the Section 151 Officer's report
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	TBC
4	Human Resources (HR)	
5	Property	
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
7	Scrutiny	
8	Local Members	
9	Any external bodies / other/s	
E - Risks and any mitigation (if relevant)		
1	Economic	
2	Anti-poverty	
3	Crime and Disorder	
4	Environmental	
5	Equalities	
6	Outcome Agreements	
7	Other	
F - Appendices:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 1 - Report summarising the Main financial statements and impact on reserves; • Appendix 2 – Draft Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement 2015/16; • Appendix 3 – Draft Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2016; • Appendix 4 – Earmarked reserves 2015/16; • Appendix 5 – School Balances per school. 		
FF - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015/16 revenue budget outturn report 31 May 2016 to The Executive; • 1 March 2016 – Use of reserves and Balances Report to the Executive. 		

1. PURPOSE

This report aims to present the draft main financial statements for the financial year 2015/16. A summary of all reserves held by the Council are also presented for information and endorsement.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Each year the Council is required by law to produce a draft set of accounts which must be signed by the Section 151 Officer by 30 June 2016. The draft accounts for 2015/16 have been substantially completed and external auditors Deloitte will start the audit of the accounts from Monday 6 June 2016.

2.2 The final audited accounts are required to be approved by 30 September 2016. The full draft statement of accounts 2015/16 will be presented to Audit Committee on 27 June 2016 before coming to the Executive as is usual practice.

2.3 However, the main financial statements: the Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Account 2015/16 and the Balance Sheet as at 31/03/16 are presented below.

3. THE DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2015/16

3.1 The draft Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement (CIES) 2015/16 is presented in Appendix 2.

3.2 This statement shows the cost of providing services in the year in accordance with the statutory accounting requirements. This presents the costs of services differently from that reported for draft outturn to the Executive on 31 May 2016.

3.3 Outturn is reported on the basis of the structure of organisation and reports on costs funded through the RSG and council tax etc. The service headings on the CIES are defined by CIPFA to ensure comparability between local authorities.

3.4 From 2016/17, the CIES will be changing and it will be structured on the basis of the Council's departmental structure. This will make it easier to understand and compare to outturn. The draft outturn report highlighted an estimated underspend of £1.849m.

3.5 The CIES shows the cost of services as £144.742m. In addition, operating expenditure of £9.224m is shown in the CIES. This relates to precepts, levies and gains/ losses on the sale of assets. An additional cost of £9.6634m is shown relating to financing and investment income and expenditure which includes items such as interest payable on loans of £4.3m, pension interest cost of £4m.

3.6 The CIES shows that £138.681m was collected as taxation and non-specific grant income such as Council Tax and RSG. A deficit on the provision of services is £24.949m, but this includes the £21m spent on the HRA buyout. The CIES then shows other comprehensive income and expenditure which is comprised of accounting adjustments, including the surplus on revaluation of non-current assets such as land and buildings.

3.7 The actuarial report for the pensions 2015/16 predicted a significant reduction in the Council's net pension liability of £35.938m. This results in a net surplus of £32m on CIES, though the majority on this relates to accounting adjustments and unusable reserves. In reality, the underspend of £1.849m represents the outturn on services for 2015/16. This is confirmed by the increase in reserves, which is discussed below.

4. DRAFT BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/03/16

4.1 Appendix 3 presents the draft balance sheet for the Council as at 31/03/16.

4.2 This shows the assets and liabilities of the Council at that date. The Council had £368.623m of non-current assets. This relates to operational assets used by the Council for the provision of its services which are within property, plant and equipment. It also includes heritage assets, investment properties, intangible assets and long-term debtors.

4.3 The value of non-current assets increased by £13.427m, this was as a result of a combination of additions and gains on revaluation of assets. The balance sheet also highlights net current assets of £47.822m. These include assets held for sale, stock, short-term debtors and cash and cash equivalents.

4.4 The total of current liabilities is £26.865m, this relates to the amounts owed to others.

4.5 Long-term liabilities amount to £208.328m, £110.735m relates to long-term loans from the PWLB, this increased by £21m in 2015/16 as a result of the loan taken out for the HRA buy-out. The HRA subsidy payment to Welsh Government will no longer be required, which makes repayment of the loan affordable.

4.6 The net assets of the Council are £181.252m. The majority of this (£148.448m) is held as unusable reserves, for example the accounting reserves such as the revaluation reserve, capital adjustment account and reserves such as the pension's reserve. The remaining balance is held as usable reserves, which amount to £32.804m. These include Council fund general and earmarked reserves, schools' balances and HRA reserves, which are discussed below.

5. COUNCIL FUND RESERVES

5.1 General Reserve

5.1.1 Table 1 below summarises the impact of the outturn and accounts on general balances.

5.1.1.1 The general reserve was £7.194m at the start of the year. £1.391m was spent from the reserve on specific items approved by the Executive, including the £476k movement from reserves to Children's Services. The remainder related to funding of severance and pension costs.

5.1.2 During the year, the general reserve was increased by £63k due to transfers from earmarked reserves no longer required. The general reserve increased by £2.547m due to the underspend of £1.849m and the remainder due to items arising from the Statement of Accounts.

5.1.3 When all the movements in the general reserves are taken into account, the closing balance of the general reserve is £8.412m, an increase of £1.218m over the year.

5.1.4 In the Executive meeting of 1 March 2016, the minimum general reserve balance was set at £5m. The Executive also approved release of £1m to create an earmarked reserve for the Improvement agenda. This would leave a balance of £7.412m.

Table 1

Movements in Council Fund General Reserve	£m
Opening balance	7.194
Less :General reserves spent during 2015/16	-1.391
Plus Movements from earmarked reserves to general reserve 2015/16	0.063
Plus underspend 2015/16	1.849
Less: transfer between Council Fund to HRA for HRA earmarked reserve	-0.156
Net increase in reserves from the CIES for the year	0.853
Total Council Fund 31/03/16	8.412
Less: earmarked reserve for Improvement Reserve 2016/17	-1.000
Total Council Fund	7.412

5.1.5 There will be some uncertainty over the 2017/18 settlement until October 2016 and it may be necessary to use general balances to balance the 2017/18 revenue budget. In addition, it will not become clear until after the monitoring reports produced at the end of the second quarter what the estimated budget position for 2016/17 will be. It may be necessary to call on our general reserve to cover any overspending in 2016/17. It would be prudent to hold the general balance at £7.412m until later in the year and make a decision as to whether to release any further sums for general balances as part of the budget setting process.

5.2 Earmarked reserves

5.2.1 In the Executive meeting of 1 March 2016, the earmarked reserves of the Council were also considered with the approval of the continuation of £16.735m of these into 2016/17. The Executive approved the return of £35k to Council general balances as the earmarked reserves were no longer needed. In addition, as part of the closure of accounts, a further £28k was transferred from earmarked reserves to general reserves.

5.2.2 An update of the reserves is shown in Appendix 4. The analysis of earmarked reserves in Appendix 4 highlights that £3.919m was spent from the reserves during the year. Some reserves were increased and new reserves were created to provide for essential future projects. Increases amounting to £2.013m were added to earmarked reserves. The majority of these relate to long-standing earmarked reserves and any increases relate to specific requirements to include amounts in reserves. The Executive is asked to approve these increases. The reasons for the significant increases are included in Appendix 4. In addition, new reserves are also presented in Table 2 below for Members' approval. Overall, however, earmarked reserves reduced by £1.906m.

Table 2

	New reserves £'000	Purpose of reserve
Local Development Plan Reserve	-259	This reserve provides for future local development plan costs
Buy With Confidence Reserve	-6	This is to fund the buy with confidence scheme in 2016/17
Social Substance Misuse	-54	Specific grant funding
Anti Human Trafficking	-7	Specific grant funding
Temporary Procurement Officer	-34	Funding for temporary procurement officer to implement procurement efficiencies
Spend to Save Public Conveniences	-73	Funding for investment in public conveniences as part of the transformation programme for example moving these facilities to the community/town councils. Previously included in the cost of change project.
Policy Management System	-33	Funding for a policy management system as part of the transformation agenda
Planning	-25	To reinvest planning income to support the restructure of planning and public protection.
	-489	

6. SCHOOL BALANCES

6.1 At 31 March 2016, all schools had balances in surplus apart from 3 primary schools (4 as at 31 March 2015) and 1 secondary schools (2 as at 31 March 2015), which had a combined deficit of £0.160m (£0.348m as at 31 March 2015). For each of the schools in deficit there is a plan of action to bring the schools out of a deficit position.

6.2 The full list of the schools position is shown in Appendix 5.

	Balance at 01/04/15	Amounts used during 2015/16	Amount Increased during 2015/16	Balance at 31/03/16
Primary Schools Reserves	-1,711,833	1,583,659	-1,864,639	-1,992,813
Secondary Schools Reserves	-629,018	1,090,355	-765,170	-303,833
Special Schools Reserves	-97,689	97,690	-165,824	-165,823
Schools Reserves	-2,438,540	2,771,704	-2,795,633	-2,462,468

7. HRA BALANCE

The balance on the HRA increased due to a transfer from an earmarked reserve and due to underspends on the capital programme. The balance of £7.040m will be reinvested in the HRA in the future and will be used toward repayment of the HRA loan buy-out.

8. CONCLUSION

The draft Comprehensive Income and Expenditure Statement for 2015/16 has been presented in Appendix 1 and discussed above. The draft Balance Sheet is presented in Appendix 3. This shows a net increase in assets and reserves of £32m. The impact of outturn and the statement of accounts has led to an increase in the general Council Fund reserve and a significant increase in the HRA reserve. These are discussed and Members are asked to consider options for the Council Fund general fund which is £2.14m higher than the £5m minimum level for general reserves. Earmarked reserves are discussed above and presented in Appendix 4. Members are asked to approve the increases in reserves as highlighted in Appendix 4.

DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2015/16

2015/16			2014/15			
Gross Expenditure	Gross Income	Net Expenditure	Note	Gross Expenditure	Gross Income	Net Expenditure
£'000	£'000	£'000		£'000	£'000	£'000
723	(429)	294	Central Services	463	(430)	33
6,927	(3,177)	3,750	Cultural and related services	7,777	(3,382)	4,395
68,387	(14,572)	53,815	Children and educational services	72,978	(13,586)	59,392
15,980	(3,927)	12,053	Highways and transport services	14,235	(3,395)	10,840
36,552	(14,894)	21,658	Council housing (HRA)	16,955	(14,435)	2,520
24,458	(22,967)	1,491	Other housing services	25,413	(22,973)	2,440
31,579	(8,940)	22,639	Adult social care	31,014	(8,820)	22,195
8,184	(3,725)	4,459	Planning and development	9,133	(3,911)	5,222
10,950	(2,791)	8,159	Environmental services	11,607	(2,377)	9,230
17,277	(949)	16,328	Corporate and democratic core	11,637	(1,009)	10,628
96	-	96	Non distributed costs	224	-	224
221,113	(76,371)	144,742	Deficit on Continuing Operations	201,436	(74,318)	127,119
		9,224	Other operating expenditure	12		9,616
		9,664	Financing and investment income and expenditure	13		10,201
		(138,681)	Taxation and non-specific grant Income	14		(137,096)
		24,949	Deficit on Provision of Services			9,840
		(21,026)	Surplus on revaluation of non current assets	11c, 15 & 17		(38,252)
		(35,938)	Re-measurement of net Pension liability	11ch & 41		31,174
		(56,964)	Other Comprehensive Income and Expenditure			(7,078)
		(32,015)	Total Comprehensive Income and Expenditure			2,762

DRAFT BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/03/16

	Note	31-Mar-2016 £'000	31-Mar-2015 £'000
Property, plant and equipment	15	358,340	344,077
Heritage assets	17	3,194	3,212
Investment property	18	5,983	7,145
Intangible assets	19	417	332
Long term investments	44	1	-
Long term debtors	24	688	430
Long Term Assets		368,623	355,196
Short term investments	44	-	-
Assets held for sale	21	6,388	2,137
Inventories	23	452	566
Short term debtors	24	23,358	21,154
Cash and cash equivalents	25	17,624	12,405
Current Assets		47,822	36,262
Short term borrowing	44	(9)	(1,688)
Short term creditors	26	(22,130)	(16,244)
Short term Provisions	27	(3,424)	(6,160)
Capital Grants receipts in advance	37	(1,302)	(380)
Current Liabilities		(26,865)	(24,472)
Long term creditors	26	(59)	(55)
Long term Provisions	27	(2,512)	(2,569)
Long term borrowing	44	(110,735)	(89,575)
Other long term liabilities	41	(95,022)	(125,477)
Long Term Liabilities		(208,328)	(217,676)
Net Assets		181,252	149,310
Usable reserves	8-10	32,804	29,247
Unusable reserves	11	148,448	120,063
Total Reserves		181,252	149,310

TOTAL EARMARKED RESERVES AS AT 31/03/16

	Balance at 01/04/15	Amounts Used During 2015/16	Amount Increased During 2015/16	Balance at 31/03/16	Explanation for Significant Increases in Reserves
School Days Reserve	66,860	0	0	66,860	
Waste Reserve/Recycling	-263,981	0	-59,700	-323,681	Increased in line with Welsh Government requirements.
Job Evaluation	-2,527,929	1,871	-243,945	-2,770,003	Increased to ensure adequate funding for outstanding job evaluation costs.
Section 117 Reserve	-150,000	0	0	-150,000	
Recycling Process Income	-178,249	0	-204,490	-382,739	Increased in line with Welsh Government requirements.
Museum Purchase Fund	-12,610	0	-6,557	-19,167	
Leisure Improvement Reserve	-173,600	0	0	-173,600	
Insurance (Catastrophe) Reserve	-2,160,620	1,086,175	-175,554	-1,250,000	A significant amount of the insurance reserve was used due to storm damage. This was then increased to ensure the reserve is at the appropriate level of £1.250m.
Revenue Contributions Unapplied	-770,233	184,013	-312,970	-899,190	This is to ensure adequate funding towards the capital programme in the future.
Penhesgyn Site Management Reserve	-2,000,000	0	0	-2,000,000	
Service Reserve Contingency	-93,500	0	0	-93,500	
Cost Of Change	-596,877	94,721	0	-502,156	
Repairs & Maintenance Scheme - Primary	-81,012	89,935	-60,470	-51,547	
Sickness/Adverts Scheme - Primary	-134,047	72,307	0	-61,740	
Licence Reserve	-23,000	0	0	-23,000	
Highway Airport Earmark	-14,743	0	-79,247	-93,990	The reserve was increased to ensure adequate funding for future Council liabilities for the Airport.
NWW Treatment Plant	-1,306,250	0	0	-1,306,250	

	Balance at 01/04/15	Amounts Used During 2015/16	Amount Increased During 2015/16	Balance at 31/03/16	Explanation for Significant Increases in Reserves
Energy Island Economic Development Reserve	-218,360	5,227	0	-213,133	
Wellington St – Social Services	-66,467	5,643	-63,002	-123,826	This has increased to ensure funding for charges to clients from the HRA.
Schools Rationalisation	-912,926	28,615	-279,991	-1,164,302	This is increase will support the 21 st Century Schools programme.
Developer Contribution Highways	-149,550	150,555	-1,005	0	
New Ledger Team	-120,218	119,532	0	-685	
Supporting People	-1,524,028	150,158	0	-1,373,870	
HRA Earmarked Reserves	-156,470	156,470	0	0	
HRA Major Repairs Reserve	-860,410	860,410	0	0	
ELWA post 16 Funding Reserve	-66,414	147,831	0	81,417	
Bwrdd Adfer Reserve	-30,176	30,176	0	0	
EU Projects Reserve	-50,000	0	0	-50,000	
Major Developments	-217,397	33,078	-14,068	-198,387	
Land Charges Computer System	-16,850	8,750	0	-8,100	
Holyhead Leisure Centre	-20,000	20,000	0	0	
Purchase new Legal Case Management Sys	-30,000	0	0	-30,000	
Invest to Save - on line school meal payment	-50,000	0	0	-50,000	
Estyn Allan y Gogledd	-3,448	805	9	-2,643	
Smarter Working Training Reserve	-30,000	0	0	-30,000	
PSBA conversion costs	-38,267	0	0	-38,267	

	Balance at 01/04/15	Amounts Used During 2015/16	Amount Increased During 2015/16	Balance at 31/03/16	Explanation for Significant Increases in Reserves
Building Risk Repairs & Maintenance	-100,000	96,663	0	-3,337	
Invest to save Child Placement Service	-45,420	0	0	-45,420	
Transformation	-467,510	154,403	-7,967	-321,074	
Homeless Provision	-92,700	0	0	-92,700	
Landlord Tenant Improvements	-20,000	5,000	0	-15,000	
Affordable Housing	-117,500	0	0	-117,500	
Housing Management	-110,000	53,700	0	-56,300	
Forestry Commission	-11,528	11,528	0	0	
Planning & Public Protection Reserve - PIF Grant	-12,871	0	0	-12,871	
Planning & Public Protection Forestry Commission	-11,528	11,528	0	0	
Highways Restricted Grants Reserve - Flood	-50,000	13,527	0	-36,473	
Highways Restricted Grants Reserve - Coastal Path	-7,553	0	0	-7,553	
Highways Restricted Grants Reserve - Airport Car Park inc.	-4,861	0	-1,545	-6,406	
Smallholding (Ring Fenced)	-11,259	17,581	-8,250	-1,928	
Corporate Finance - Development CIVICA systems	-250,000	150,901	0	-99,099	
Economic & Community Regeneration Leisure – maintenance schemes	-16,314	13,373	0	-2,941	
Resources - Revenues & Benefits IT	-210,000	47,250	0	-162,750	
Land `Y Ffridd`	-50,000	50,000	0	0	
Local Development Plan (previously Planning & Public Protection Reserve)	0	0	-258,600	-258,600	This reserve provides for future local development plan costs.

	Balance at 01/04/15	Amounts Used During 2015/16	Amount Increased During 2015/16	Balance at 31/03/16	Explanation for Significant Increases in Reserves
SETS European Grant	-32,357	0	-4,759	-37,116	The increase is specific grant funding.
Webcasting	-9,434	1,000	0	-8,434	
Earmarked Reserve SCWDP	-65,026	24,596	0	-40,430	
Buy With Confidence Reserve	0	0	-6,240	-6,240	This is to fund the buy with confidence scheme in 2016/17.
Social Substance Misuse	0	0	-54,000	-54,000	Specific grant funding.
Anti Human Trafficking	0	0	-6,549	-6,549	Specific grant funding.
Temporary Procurement Officer	0	0	-33,620	-33,620	Funding for temporary procurement officer to implement procurement efficiencies.
Spend to Save Public Conveniences	0	0	-72,600	-72,600	Funding for investment in public conveniences as part of the transformation programme for example moving these facilities to the community/town councils.
Policy Management System	0	0	-32,600	-32,600	Funding for a policy management system as part of the transformation agenda.
Planning	0	0	-25,000	-25,000	To reinvest planning income to support the restructure of planning and public protection.
Capital Receipts Reserve	-1			-1	
Deferred Capital Receipts	2,967			2,967	
	-16,794,979	3,919,119	-2,012,720	-14,888,590	

ARIAN WRTH GEFN YSGOLION MON 2015/16 ANGLESEY SCHOOLS' RESERVES

Rhif/ No.		YSGOL / SCHOOL	Arian yn cario drosodd 2014/15 Balance B/F	Cyfanswm Gwariant 2015/16 Total Expenditure	Arian yn cario drosodd 2015/16 Balance carried forward	% o'r Gyllideb / % of the budget	Defnyddio i Gydbwyso Cyllideb 2016/17 / Used to balance 2016/17 budget	Arian wrth gefn 2015/16 yn weddill / Balance left of 2015/2016 Reserves
2130	AA002	AMLWCH	23,375	1,008,920	23,640	2%		23,640
2131	AA003	BEAUMARIS	13,002	380,630	19,060	5%	-25,380	-6,320
2132	AA004	BODEDERN	-2,862	453,564	21,926	5%		21,926
2133	AA005	BODFFORDD	7,954	331,198	12,122	4%		12,122
2134	AA006	BODORGAN	-13,736	192,377	14,283	7%		14,283
2135	AA007	BRYNGWRAN	35,204	253,495	25,785	9%		25,785
2136	AA008	BRYNSIENCYN	32,329	281,550	28,520	9%		28,520
2138	AA009	CEMAES	19,205	336,460	22,340	6%	-6,850	15,490
2139	AA010	DWYRAN	25,282	207,851	16,139	7%	-3,300	12,839
2140	AA011	ESCEIFIOG	52,927	587,849	28,331	5%	-10,000	18,331
2141	AA012	GARREGLEFN	15,913	217,132	24,198	10%		24,198
2142	AA013	GWALCHMAI	32,811	361,646	51,974	13%	-6,960	45,014
2144	AA014	PARC, CAERGYBI	57,691	816,410	84,360	9%	-40,490	43,870
2145	AA015	MOELFRE	34,893	379,183	44,477	10%	-2,320	42,157
2146	AA016	LLANBEDRGOCH	28,566	236,901	22,189	9%	-20,570	1,619
2150	AA020	LLANFACHRAETH	17,798	248,677	17,963	7%	-3,140	14,823
2151	AA021	FFRWD WIN	14,495	235,454	21,646	8%	-5,820	15,826
2152	AA022	LLANFAIRPWLL	32,917	1,161,521	54,469	4%		54,469
2153	AA023	LLANFEHELL	38,648	418,347	7,423	2%		7,423
2154	AA024	Y GRAIG	74,711	1,419,841	103,889	7%	-3,760	100,129
2155	AA025	LLANGOED	25,784	405,476	38,364	9%	-16,760	21,604
2156	AA026	LLANGRISTIOLUS	25,789	442,989	9,881	2%		9,881
2157	AA027	LLANERCHYMEDD	24,337	565,495	-1,715	0%		-1,715
2158	AA028	LLANRHUDDLAD	23,576	219,122	29,688	12%	-20,010	9,678
2160	AA029	PENCARNISIOG	16,075	238,861	11,319	5%	-10,790	529
2161	AA030	PENTRAETH	-1,273	397,507	27,453	6%		27,453

2162	AA031	PENYSARN	10,119	384,971	-771	0%		-771
2163	AA032	RHOSCOLYN	22,608	452,038	25,302	5%	-19,460	5,842
2164	AA033	RHOSNEIGR	43,375	244,663	63,597	21%	-12,720	50,877
2165	AA034	RHOSYBOL	37,488	284,313	40,237	12%		40,237
2166	AA035	TALWRN	38,980	223,458	17,952	7%		17,952
2168	AA037	Y DYFFRYN	64,335	504,921	66,849	12%	-24,110	42,739
2169	AA038	LLANFAWR	69,829	995,764	73,356	7%		73,356
2170	AA039	GORONWY OWEN	-4,204	480,285	-22,505	-5%		-22,505
2171	AA040	LLAINGOCH	63,678	741,840	75,160	9%	-43,310	31,850
2172	AA041	NIWBWRCH	37,828	318,248	42,203	12%	-11,760	30,443
2173	AA042	Y TYWYN	76,101	543,760	91,640	14%	-15,060	76,580
2174	AA043	LLANDEGFAN	20,008	533,648	48,792	8%	-8,200	40,592
2175	AA044	Y BORTH	43,177	807,607	44,303	5%	-11,340	32,963
2176	AA045	KINGSLAND	44,421	680,660	54,580	7%	-6,920	47,660
2177	AA046	MORSWYN	30,473	646,119	31,191	5%	-24,670	6,521
2226	AA047	CORN HIR	72,726	764,355	75,685	9%	-8,380	67,305
3033	AA060	PARCH.THOMAS ELLIS	71,412	599,989	132,461	18%		132,461
3034	AA061	PARC Y BONT	18,902	451,168	17,182	4%	-6,330	10,852
3035	AA062	LLANGAFFO	29,529	269,056	23,914	8%		23,914
3304	AA063	SANTES FAIR	64,936	679,907	56,323	8%	-22,010	34,313
2500	AA048	CAERGEILIOG	200,688	1,119,086	275,632	20%		275,632
		IS-GYFANSWM (Cynradd) / SUB TOTAL(Primary)	1,711,816	23,524,310	1,992,808	8%	-390,420	1,602,388
4025	AB081	SYR THOMAS JONES	-49,286	3,042,695	-135,385	-5%		-135,385
4026	AB082	CAERGYBI	-276,682	3,568,231	9.11	0%		9
4027	AB083	LLANGEFNI	181,051	3,555,424	71,536	2%		71,536
4028	AB084	DAVID HUGHES	415,960	5,111,264	157,716	3%		157,716
4029	AB085	BODEDERN	357,955	3,574,041	209,939	6%		209,939
		IS-GYFANSWM (Uwchradd) / SUB TOTAL (Secondary)	628,999	18,851,655	303,815	2%	0	303,815

7011	AC091	Y BONT	97,688	1,433,596	165,823.73	10%		165,824
		<i>IS-GYFANSWM (Arbennig)/ SUB TOTAL (Primary)</i>	97,688	1,433,596	165,824	10%	0	165,824
		CYFANSWM / TOTAL	2,438,502	43,809,561	2,462,447	5%	-390,420	2,072,027

	Deficit 2015/16	Surplus 2015/16	Balances 2015/16	
Primary	-24,991	2,017,799	1,992,808	3 schools in deficit
Secondary	-135,385	439,200	303,815	1 school in deficit
Special		165,824	165,824	
Total	-160,376	2,622,823	2,462,447	

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to:	Executive Committee
Date:	20th June, 2016
Subject:	Lowering Age of Admission at Ysgol Brynsiencyn
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Ken Hughes
Head of Service:	Delyth Molyneux
Report Author: Tel: E-mail:	Gareth Jones 01248 752947 dgjed@anglesey.gov.uk
Local Members:	Hywel Eifion Jones Victor Hughes

A –Recommendation/s and reason/s
<p>A request was received from the Governing Body at Ysgol Brynsiencyn for the Authority to consider lowering the age of admission so as to admit pupils part time in the September following their third birthday.</p> <p>Ysgol Brynsiencyn admits children full time in the September following their fourth birthday. The school is one of 7 schools with this policy. The other 40 primary schools admit children part time in the September following their third birthday.</p> <p>There is a set process to this-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prepare a consultation document. 2. Ensure a wide consultation with all who have an interest.

3. Prepare a report on the consultation and then a recommendation to the Executive Committee
4. If to move on the proposal then publish a statutory order and collect objections.
5. Executive Committee to consider a report on the objections and then to come to a final decision.

Throughout the process there is close working with the Welsh Government.

Accepting the proposal will increase staffing costs but accepting additional nursery children will increase the school's allocation.

The school would place the children within the present Foundation Phase class.

In summary the Governors at Ysgol Brynsiencyn have presented a request to lower the age of admission. It is recommended that permission be given to begin the process of consultation.

B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?

The alternative option is to maintain the present arrangements but the school wishes to move towards a policy that is accepted in the majority of our schools. The Authority supports the option to consult on the request so that the Authority can move towards a consistency of admission arrangements across schools.

C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?

The change in the age range of a school is a “regulated alteration” within school reorganisation and is subject to the provisions of the School Organisation Code, 006/2013. It is a decision for the Executive Committee who are required to publish proposals on the change and to consider the responses.

CH – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?

Yes, as the Authority has followed the process over the last few years with other schools.

D – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?
Yes.

DD – Who did you consult?		What did they say?
1	Chief Executive / Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) (mandatory)	No comments - the process outlined is key
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	No comment
4	Human Resources (HR)	No comment
5	Property	
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
7	Scrutiny	
8	Local Members	
9	Any external bodies / other/s	

E – Risks and any mitigation (if relevant)	
1	Economic
2	Anti-poverty
3	Crime and Disorder
4	Environmental
5	Equalities
6	Outcome Agreements
7	Other

F - Appendices:
None

FF - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):
None

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ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
Report to:	Executive
Date:	20 June 2016
Subject:	Improvement works to the highway between A55 J3 and Wylfa Newydd along the A5 and A5025
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor John Arwel Roberts
Head of Service:	Dewi Williams
Report Author: Tel: E-mail:	Arwel Roberts/Emma Collett
Local Members:	n/a

A –Recommendation/s and reason/s
<p>RECOMMENDATION:</p> <p>That the Executive authorise the Head of Service – Highways, Waste and Property to:</p> <p>(a) enter into an Agreement with Horizon Nuclear Power/Hitachi (HNP) under section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 and any other powers necessary in such form as the the Head of Service – Highways, Waste and Property requires to ensure HNP indemnifies the Council for all costs and liabilities associated with progressing and promoting Compulsory Purchase Orders(s), Side Road Orders and any other Orders (“the Orders”) necessary to carry out construction and improvement works to the highway between A55 J3 and Wylfa Newydd along the A5 and A5025 including associated works and mitigation and in undertaking all work in connection with the Orders, meeting the costs of acquisition of rights and interests in land in order to deliver the works and meeting all compensation liabilities of the Council which will or may arise out the Orders and acquisition of rights and interests;</p> <p>(b) following completion of the Agreement in (a) above, undertake all steps necessary in preparation for making and serving the Orders. Such steps to include undertaking land searches and referencing of all interests and rights which may be required to deliver the construction and improvement works (including issuing requisitions for information under the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 and/or under the Highways Act 1980), preparing draft Orders and related documentation and undertaking all steps required to allow such Orders to be made and served should such action subsequently be authorised by the Executive;</p> <p>(c) following completion of the Agreement in (a) above, enter into negotiations with those persons with an interest in land or rights needed to deliver the construction and</p>

improvement works in order to acquire, where possible, such land and rights by agreement, to include making offers to acquire such land and rights and entering into agreements to acquire such land and rights as the Head of Service – Highway, Waste and Property considers appropriate.

REASONS

Introduction

Horizon Nuclear Power/Hitachi (HNP) is proposing to submit an application for development consent for a new nuclear power station at Wylfa, Anglesey (Wylfa Newydd). In order to deliver Wylfa Newydd, improvements are required to be made to the highway between A55 J3 and Wylfa Newydd along the A5 and A5025 site entrance. Discussions have taken place between the Council (as local highway authority) and HNP over the past two years in relation to the delivery of such improvements. Consequently, the Council and HNP entered into a Collaboration Agreement (dated 1 June 2015) in order to facilitate these and other highway improvements for the effective operation of the highway network during the construction and operation of Wylfa Newydd. Completion of the Collaboration Agreement was authorised by the Executive on 16 March 2015.

The Collaboration Agreement envisages that compulsory acquisition may be needed to assemble the land required for such works. In this regard it states: *“In its capacity as highway authority IACC supports in principle the use of compulsory purchase powers to secure the delivery of the Projects, provided that HNP meets the costs of prosecuting any compulsory purchase order and acquiring the land (including meeting any compensation liabilities). However, any specific use of compulsory purchase powers would need to be considered in detail by IACC, and the public interest in pursuing any such compulsory purchase order determined on the specific facts at the relevant time.”*

The Council, as local highway authority, has powers under the Highways Act 1980 to construct new highways and to improve existing highways. It also has powers to acquire land for these purposes as well as providing mitigation etc (including sections 239, 240, 246, 250 and 260 of the Highways Act 1980). The Council, as local highway authority, also has the power under section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 to enter into an agreement with a person under which that person will fund construction and improvement works provided that the local highway authority consider such works will be of benefit to the public. The power extends to monies being paid to the local highway authority for land acquisition.

The intention is that the Council and HNP will, pursuant to the Collaboration Agreement, enter into agreements under section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 under which the Council will agree to undertake works of construction and improvement to highways requiring improvement provided HNP fund those works. An agreement is also required to ensure HNP (i) fund acquisition by the Council of the land and rights needed to complete the works; and (ii) if compulsory acquisition is

necessary, fund the cost of all work required in connection with making and prosecuting Orders and payments of compensation (effectively an indemnity agreement).

The indemnity agreement is being advanced and it is anticipated that it will be in place shortly.

The works required

The A5025 is a rural A-classification single carriageway road with variable speed limits that runs between the A5 at Valley along the west of Anglesey towards Cemaes and then along the north coast through Amlwch and Benllech to Llanfairpwll. The route forms part of the wider road network that distributes local traffic from the strategic A55 North Wales Expressway connecting the island to mainland Wales (following the north coast) towards Chester.

Reports have identified the need for works to the highway between A55 J3 and Wylfa Newydd along the A5 and A5025 in relation to the delivery of a new nuclear power station at Wylfa. The section of carriageway identified for improvement is approximately 18km long and commences at the A5 trunk road at J3 Valley, south west of the existing Magnox power station, runs down towards Valley traffic lights and then connects to the A5025 and runs northwards, broadly parallel to the west coast of Anglesey towards the settlement of Cemaes. Between Valley and Cemaes, the section of route requiring improvement passes through or adjacent to the communities of Llanfachraeth, Llanfaethlu, Llanrhyddlad and Tregle.

The works required fall into two categories:

(a) Improvements to the existing A5 from A55 J3 and the Valley traffic lights and the A5025 from Valley (Valley crossroads traffic lights) to Wylfa (Wylfa Newydd site entrance). These are largely improvements to the existing carriageway and are referred to in this Report as the Online works;

(b) Sections of new highway along the route from Valley. These essentially comprise four sections of bypass and which are referred to in this Report as the Offline works.

Online works

The Online works will comprise localised road widening, widening at bends to allow safe passage for heavy goods vehicles and to bypass one particularly severe bend at Bytheicws, full reconstruction of pavement and the re-surfacing of existing pavement on the existing carriageway where the road will be bypassed. It will also include improvements to certain private means of access to ensure visibility is safeguarded.

Offline works

These comprise four new sections of highway to tie into the existing A5 and A5025:

Valley: the proposed works at Valley comprise the construction of a new roundabout to form the primary junction between the A5 and the A5025. The existing A5025 will be stopped up from the existing signalised junction, though cycle and foot access will continue. Access to existing properties will be retained.

Llanfachraeth: the preferred option to take through traffic out of the village is a 2.2km section of new carriageway which, once constructed, would form part of a realigned A5025 with the existing road through the village being reclassified. Gradients along this section will be smoothed out as the new road will be routed along embankments and through cuttings as necessary in order to achieve a smooth vertical alignment and overtaking opportunities will be maximised.

Llanfaethlu: the two bends in Llanfaethlu, one near the Black Lion pub and one near the village, will be removed as the road will be straightened. It is proposed that the village of Llanfaethlu will be bypassed with a new section of road being routed to the east of the main body of the village. The existing A5025 heading north from the village will be stopped up to vehicular traffic, which means that the new primary school (Ysgol y Llannau) will be located at the end of a cul de sac once the bypass is constructed. The new road will be routed along embankments and through cuttings as necessary in order to achieve a smooth vertical alignment.

Llanrhyddlad and Cefn Coch: 1.3 km of proposed new road will remove the main bends at this section with a bypass section that is routed to the east of the existing road. Gradients along this section will be smoothed out as the new road will be routed along embankments and through cuttings as necessary.

Officers understand that HNP is also considering whether any works are necessary (having regard to factors such as the location of associated development such as worker accommodation) to improve the existing A5025 from Wylfa Newydd to Amlwch. It is understood that preliminary investigations of the Wylfa to Amlwch stretch of the A5025 are being undertaken as well as consultation in relation to potential works along this stretch of road. The investigations and consultation will help inform whether improvements are required. This work is ongoing and does not form part of this report. Should such works be considered necessary, it is anticipated they will be taken forward in the same way as the Valley to Wylfa Newydd works.

Timing of and approach to the works

It is currently intended that the Online works are completed as soon as possible. Early delivery of these works are required to reduce the impact on the highway network (ie to avoid online construction taking place at the same time as offline construction). In this regard, it is anticipated that the Online works will be carried out (subject to planning consent and the requirement for Orders to be confirmed) in

2017. The Offline element of the works are currently envisaged to start following grant of a DCO for the proposed power station (in 2019).

It is anticipated that a planning application for the Online works will be made this Autumn (in tandem with the planning application for Wylfa site preparation and clearance) with the Offline works forming part of a separate subsequent application. This will allow the Online works to be advanced. This will also allow Orders in relation to the Online works to be progressed if necessary. The precise approach and scope of the applications will need to be agreed with the Council as Local Planning Authority.

At this stage, the authority that is being requested from the Executive is to allow information/evidence gathering to take place and for the Council to engage with landowners and others with an interest to seek to acquire land and rights by agreement in relation to the proposed highway works. The authority also extends to undertaking preparatory work in relation to the Orders. What is not sought at this stage is authority to make and serve any Order. Before this is done a further report will be taken to the Executive updating the position and seeking separate authority to make the Orders. At that point it is envisaged that a planning application will have been made for any works which will be the subject of Orders.

Land needed to carry out the works

The approximate extent of the land required to undertake the works is shown on the attached plan (see section F (below)). It is intended that this land and adjacent areas will be subject to land referencing and negotiations will be entered into with owners and occupiers as required.

In this regard it should be noted that HNP has already been in discussions with landowners in order to secure land and other interests required for the works. A number of Agreements have been entered into with HNP to allow them to draw down land required for the works. However, there are still significant parcels of land where no Agreement exists and where compulsory acquisition might be needed.

Further, the Council may yet determine that additional land is required following finalisation of HNP's planning applications for the works.

Objectives of and need for the works

The A5025 is an old road, which has been upgraded in sections over the past years. This is demonstrated by sections of "old" A5025 which now form laybys or have been grassed over. Transport and traffic surveys were undertaken by the Local Highway Authority and Horizon between the periods of 2010 to 2015. These captured existing vehicle numbers and speeds along the A5025, the condition of the road surface, the width of the road and the geometry of the road.

The surveys indicated that sections of the A5025 route from Valley to the Wylfa Newydd site entrance, as is typical of roads in the area and of the age of the A5025, currently have width restrictions, bends that do not meet current highways design standards, and other constraints on use of the road for construction traffic associated with Wylfa Newydd. Furthermore, the route passes through rural communities where it is closely flanked on one or both sides by residential properties and other structures.

It is therefore considered that the current A5025 is not appropriate for use as a route for construction traffic associated with Wylfa Newydd. Accordingly, the Online and Offline works are required to make the route suitable and to allow the construction of Wylfa Newydd to take place.

The Online works involve the acquisition of land adjacent to the existing highway. This land is required in order to address the issues that have been highlighted in Council and HNP reports, including the Council's Transport Position Statement which identifies the potential transport implications of the Wylfa Newydd project. Specifically, land acquisition would enable sections of highway to be widened to appropriate widths (as agreed with the Council as local highway authority) that takes into consideration both the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges and also Design Guidance for Roads in upland areas.

The Offline works will improve road alignments in a manner which enables the road to take the traffic required in construction of the Wylfa Newydd (including the additional loading of heavy goods vehicles (HGVs)) out of the villages. This will mitigate the risks associated with increased traffic, particularly HGVs associated with a large development, contribute to improved road safety and reduce the impacts of noise and air quality for properties that are currently located on the existing carriageway. This will provide a significant and enduring benefit for the communities at Llanfachraeth and Llanfaethlu. The improvements to the road alignment at Valley and Cefn Coch, as well as the bypass at Llanfachraeth, will also provide enduring infrastructure benefits for all road users by reducing sections of 30 mph limits, providing safe overtaking opportunities and making the journey a more comfortable drive.

It is therefore considered that the works are needed in order to enable Wylfa Newydd to be constructed. Wylfa Newydd is supported in national and local policy.

Policy support Wylfa Newydd and the proposed highway works

The need for new nuclear electricity generation in the UK has been established by the UK Government in National Policy Statements ("NPSs"), in particular the NPS for Energy (EN-1) and the NPS for New Nuclear Generation (EN-6). EN-6 identifies Wylfa (and seven other sites) as potentially suitable for deployment of a new nuclear

power station by the end of 2025.

EN-1 discusses the challenges facing the UK energy sector in relation to energy security and carbon reduction objectives. A key issue identified is the anticipated retirement in coming years of many existing fossil-fired power stations on environmental grounds, and most nuclear plants as they reach the end of their life. Almost one quarter, or 22GW, of the UK's generating capacity is due to close by 2018 and needs to be replaced. This makes the need for investment in new generating capacity urgent.

To address the urgent need for new generating capacity, EN-6 also emphasises that new nuclear power stations need to start generating as soon as possible, with the intention that they should be bought online before 2025.

The national need for Wylfa Newydd has therefore been determined by the Government. This is reflected in regional and local policy documents including the JLTP, the JLDP and the New Nuclear Generation at Wylfa Supplementary Planning Guidance (IACC) (2014) ("the SPG").

Horizon has identified that a preferred route to the Wylfa Newydd Development Area (the indicative area of land that would be used for the construction and operation of the power station) from the strategic road network (the A55) is to depart from the A55 at Caergeiliog on to the A5 and then link to the A5025 at Valley to head north towards Tregele. This is the most appropriate route for freight and other road movements associated with the construction and operation of the Wylfa Newydd power station.

The works to the A5025 are required to ensure that Wylfa Newydd can be developed and delivered as soon as possible to help meet this urgent national need for new generating capacity. A similar approach was taken in relation to the recent Hinkley Point C application in respect of "early works".

There is significant policy support for the delivery of Wylfa Newydd. While the Ynys Môn Local Plan (1996) and the Gwynedd Structure Plan (1993) pre-date the emergence of the project, they do support highways upgrades where necessary to secure economic development. These local development plans also contain a number of policies that are relevant to all planning applications in Anglesey which the scheme will need to be assessed against.

Since the emergence of the Wylfa Newydd project, IACC adopted the SPG specifically to address issues arising from new nuclear development on Anglesey. The SPG contains specific policies relating to the transport requirements of the Wylfa Newydd project. These include a requirement to improve the highway between Valley and Tregele to take into account the increased traffic flows associated with the construction of the project.

In developing the SPG, the Council appointed consultants to prepare a Transport Position Statement regarding the potential transport implications of the Wylfa Newydd project. This document states: "*There is a huge opportunity to create a lasting legacy for the Island in terms of improved transport links on Anglesey from the Wylfa new nuclear power station*".

The Transport Position Statement listed a number of measures that could be developed to maximise the opportunity which included highway improvements to provide: "*physical improvement measures along designated routes [which] will increase ease of movement around the Island for the local population and will support tourism, attract further investment and provide opportunities to open up sites for residential and industrial development*". The A5025 improvements will deliver this opportunity.

The SPG contains direct support for the works:

Objective 1 is to: "*ensure that the Wylfa NNB Project contributes to the delivery of the Anglesey Energy Island Programme, and the Anglesey Enterprise Zone, placing the Island at the forefront of energy research and development, production and servicing*". The SPG notes that this will require the delivery of the "*strategic infrastructure necessary to accommodate the Wylfa NNB Project and support wider economic growth*". The works are a key element of this strategic infrastructure.

Objective 3 is to: "*ensure that the Wylfa NNB Project delivers significant and enduring infrastructure benefits to the Island's communities*". The works will provide an enduring benefit to all users of the A5025 between Valley and Treglele. The Online Works will improve the existing road pavement through full reconstruction along most of its length and resurfacing of the rest. The user experience for all road users will be a significant benefit.

Objective 6 is to: "*ensure that the Wylfa NNB Project promotes the sustainable movement of people and materials and provides resilient transportation infrastructure capable of attracting and sustaining economic growth and creating sustainable communities*". The key aim of the works is to enable appropriate and safe construction and operational access to the Wylfa Newydd Development Area from the A55.

Policy GP14 (Transport) of the SPG makes specific reference to transport issues associated with the Wylfa Newydd project. It states that: "*...The project promoter should make best use of existing infrastructure provision and enhance provision in order to deliver legacy benefit*". The Scheme will improve the existing highway and, where necessary, create sections of offline improvements necessary to enable the construction of the power station.

Policy GP14 also provides timescales within which road improvements must be made available. It states *"the County Council will expect proposals to be in place prior to the commencement of activities that would otherwise lead to negative effects."* It is currently envisaged that the works will be undertaken in two stages: the Online works being undertaken first ahead of the DCO with the Offline works starting after the DCO has been granted. In this regard, HNP will not be able to undertake construction activities that significantly increase traffic flows on the A5025 Valley to Wylfa Newydd section until all the works have been completed. The Council's current understanding is that the initial phases of site preparation and clearance (which is likely to be the subject of a planning application this Autumn) will only result in moderate increases in traffic flows and that such works can be carried out whilst the Online works are being progressed. However, this can only be confirmed once the precise scope of the works are known.

The draft Joint Local Development Plan (JLDP) is progressing and is due to be heard at public hearings this Autumn. The JLDP makes reference to the need to maximise accessibility for all modes of transport and improve existing infrastructure and the strategic transportation network including the requirement to improve access routes to the power station site.

Whilst Wylfa Newydd has a specific requirement for the Online and Offline works and so will act as a catalyst for these works, there is also broader transport, economic and planning policy at a national, regional and local level that recognise the wider public benefit of the works to be undertaken. In particular, an improved A5025 and link to A55 J3 will give the island an opportunity to attract further investment and future projects and improve connectivity for local residents which will have economic and social benefits for Anglesey. However, as the evidence base showing how the proposed works translate into the wider benefits envisaged by policy is not sufficiently developed, the Executive is not invited to give them any material weight in the current decision.

Evolution of the works and the appraisal of options

The Welsh Government's Welsh Transport Planning and Appraisal Guidance June 2008 ("WelTAG") contains guidance on the appraisal of transport proposals that is applied to all transport strategies, plans and schemes being promoted or requiring funding from the Welsh Government. The WelTAG guidance is not directly relevant to the Online or Offline Works, which are being funded privately by HNP, however the WelTAG approach has been applied at an early stage of the process of design of the works.

The DMRB (Design Manual for Roads and Bridges) contains a process that is widely used to design new roads and improvements to roads, taking into consideration safety and the environment. It provides for the preparation of a series of design reports leading up to a final design. This process has been used in relation to the

Offline works, as new proposed elements of highway.

The design approach which has been applied to the proposed improvement works is as follows:

(a) Scheme Assessment Report 1 (SAR 1). The objective of SAR1 is to identify the environmental, engineering, economic and traffic advantages, disadvantages and constraints associated with broadly defined improvement strategies. The aims at SAR1 were to make it safe to travel to Wylfa along the A5025 during construction and operation of Wylfa Newydd giving consideration to an increased number of HGVs and to minimise negative impacts this may have on local people and the environment. Iterative design concepts for the Online and potential Offline Works were prepared over a period of time leading up to the preparation of the SAR1 in 2011 which identified a series of constraints and corridor options for the proposed works.

One key output of SAR1 was the identification of parts of the A5025 where new offline works would be required to meet these aims. Areas identified where new offline works were required were:

Valley (A5/A5025) – At Valley the issues related to the capacity of the existing signalised junction. Initially, HNP considered the provision of a direct link between the A5025 and junction 3 of the A55. However, following discussions with stakeholders, it was concluded that there would be insufficient space on the A55 roundabout to provide the tie-in and therefore a new roundabout would need to be provided.

Llanfachraeth - At Llanfachraeth the issues related to the routeing of additional heavy goods vehicles through a rural village and the potential for this to cause disturbance to residents. In this location, an option of a bypass to the west of Llanfachraeth was also considered. However, a road positioned to the west of the village would pass through a Site of Special Scientific Interest and the Anglesey Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. On this basis and taking into account views of stakeholders, further consideration of alternatives to the west of Llanfachraeth was discounted, with work on potential alignments focusing on a corridor to the east. Within the eastern corridor, HNP developed three alignment options that would each bypass Llanfachraeth village. The option providing best overtaking opportunities and least disruption has been selected.

Llanfaethlu - At Llanfaethlu the issues related to the sharp bends in the road. HNP discussed an option for a significantly longer bypass to the east of Llanfaethlu with stakeholders but this was not deemed to be a credible route due to the length of road and the potential environmental impacts that may arise from the construction and operation of the road. Alternative solutions with an anticipated lower environmental impact than the eastern option were considered and two options were proposed to straighten the two existing bends along this section of the A5025.

Cefn Coch - At Cefn Coch the issues related more to the vertical alignment of the existing carriageway. The section is particularly undulating including horizontal changes in direction too. This would not be acceptable for the safe and easy passage of the increased number of HGVs. The proposed improvement for this location comprises a bypass of the area and the improvement of a crossroads.

(b) Scheme Assessment Report 2 (SAR2). The purpose of stage 2 is to identify the factors to be taken into account in choosing alternative routes or improvement schemes and to identify the environmental, engineering, economic and traffic advantages, disadvantages and constraints associated with those routes or schemes. Continued engagement with stakeholders following the publication of SAR 1, including HNP's first stage of formal Pre-Application Consultation as outlined below, led to the second iteration (SAR2) of the design process being published in October 2015. SAR 2 considered the options identified within SAR 1 for Offline Works in further detail and considered the traffic, safety and environmental issues around each of the different options.

(c) Scheme Assessment Report 3 (SAR3). The purpose of stage 3 is to identify clearly the advantages and disadvantages, in environmental, engineering, economic and traffic terms, of the preferred route/ works. A particular requirement at this stage is an assessment of the significant environmental effects of the project and mitigation measures. SAR3 has been under preparation since the publication of SAR 2 and will capture the design for the final proposals to be submitted with the planning application(s) for the Online and Offline Works.

(d) The preferred options of those considered in SAR 1 and SAR 2 were selected through an options refinement exercise in March 2015 (an Options Refinement Report). The exercise comprised a workshop that brought together all information received to date and agreed a preferred option for each bypass to take to the public information event, with particular refinement options of the preferred option for the public to comment on. This included the WelTAG approach outcome, comments received at public consultation and other informal meetings with various officers of IACC, Natural Resources Wales and other statutory consultees. The preferred options identified within the Options Refinement Report were thereafter the subject of public consultation as outlined within the following section of this report.

Public Consultation

Pre-Application Consultations (PAC 1) September to December 2014 - Routing options for the proposed A5025 Highway Improvements between Valley and Wylfa Newydd were first identified for consultation purposes during HNP's first statutory Pre-Application Consultation for Wylfa Newydd carried out between the 29 September and 8 December 2014. The options consulted on at PAC 1 reflected those contained within SAR 1 and described above.

The consultation materials provided varying levels of technical information, comprising two non-technical and two technical documents. The non-technical documents were written to ensure they were accessible to the public, with the technical documents geared more towards local authorities and other statutory bodies. The suite of documents were available for review in local libraries, Isle of Anglesey County Council's offices, HNP's office at Wylfa and the Wylfa Information Centre. They were also available to take away from consultation events and downloadable from the HNP website.

Broad support was received following consultation for the need for road improvements, noting that the identified road proposals were a step towards this. There was strong support for bypasses that avoided the centre of settlements and schools in particular Llanfachraeth Bypass Option 1. However, this was tempered by an overarching concern regarding existing road congestion and safety. Various additional improvements to the A5025 were suggested ranging from a full reconstruction of the highway to the need for additional overtaking sections and the straightening of some existing bends through online works.

Following PAC1, selection of the preferred offline options were progressed and various changes to the preferred offline design were made, informed by the feedback received. In particular, the following amendments were made to the highways improvement proposals: (i) The existing carriageway on the Online Improvements sections of the A5025 between the proposed site entrance and Valley will be subject to full reconstruction; (ii) The detailed design of the Online proposals will widen existing bends; (iii) Improvements to the junctions of the NCN Routes and the A5025 will be improved at Llanynghenedl and Tregelge; (iv) Footpath diversions will be included in the design of the highways improvements to minimise the impacts of severance or road realignment; and (v) Preferred options for the bypasses were chosen and further design changes made following public comments.

These design changes were carried through to the preparation SAR2 and the preferred option that is to be reflected in SAR 3.

The preferred options identified through consultation on PAC 1 and captured within the Options Refinement Report were carried forward into additional public information events, with appropriate sub-options developed to address issues that arose which were not adequately addressed by any of the initial options presented at PAC1. During public information events in July 2015, the public were provided an update for online and offline improvements and how the preferred options for the offline works had been arrived at to be taken forward in SAR3. A further public information event was held in January 2016 as part of HNP's Project Update on the wider Wylfa Newydd project. This provided further detail and refinement of the preferred options.

Further consultation on detailed designs for the Online works took place in the week commencing 16 May 2016. Comments received will be taken into account in the final detailed design for the works to be presented in SAR3.

The ongoing detailed design of the works subject to the public consultation events outlined in the previous section has had detailed input from IACC highways team through regular design and progress meetings since October 2014 involving HNP, its advisers and representatives of the Council's highways team.

In addition, a series of meetings and workshops with members, community councils along the route, the police, and other technical services within IACC have been held during the preparation of the design of the scheme, comments received and design changes made accordingly.

Landowner negotiations

The Council understands that HNP has consulted with landowners throughout the evolution of the design of the proposals (as well as part of the access discussions it has had with landowners for the purposes of environmental surveys and geo-technical ground investigation work). The consultation in respect of the Offline sections of highways improvements has been more extensive due to the greater understanding of the proposals and the extent of the third party land that may be required.

In addition to consultation, correspondence and face to face meetings with individual land owners (and their representatives) has continued to take place since January 2014 and HNP and Fisher German (HNP's agents) have presented proposed road improvement alignment plans and talked through the acquisition process and timescales. The Council understands that HNP has explained option proposals and given an indication of the terms that would be put forward. Some discussions with landowners have been more extensive and more frequent than others, depending on specific landowner concerns. Fisher German are logging all contacts with landowners and landowner contacts have been made available to the Council.

HNP has acquired interests in some of the land by agreement (mainly through options to purchase) but it has not acquired all the land and interests needed for the works.

Compulsory Purchase

Although this report is not seeking authorisation to make and serve a compulsory purchase order, it is requesting that authorisation is given to the preparatory steps and to negotiating/assembling the necessary land to allow the works to be undertaken in the context of the local highway authority's powers of compulsory acquisition. It is considered likely that a resolution to make and serve Orders will subsequently be needed from the Executive and the authorisations requested in this report are, therefore, effectively the first step in this process. Appropriate regard should therefore be given to the law and advice on exercising powers of compulsory purchase.

The exercise of powers of compulsory acquisition is supported by Welsh Government where there is a compelling case in the public interest.

National Assembly for Wales Circular 14(2)/2004 states that “*The Welsh Assembly Government believes that compulsory purchase powers are an important tool for local authorities and other public bodies to use as a means of assembling the land needed to help deliver social and economic change. Used properly, they can contribute towards effective and efficient urban regeneration, the revitalisation of communities, and the promotion of business – leading to improvements in quality of life. Bodies possessing compulsory purchase powers – at whatever level – are therefore encouraged to consider using them pro-actively wherever appropriate to ensure real gains are brought to residents and the business community without delay.*”

Additionally, the Council needs to demonstrate that (i) there is clear evidence that the public benefit will outweigh the private loss, having regard to the European Convention on Human Rights; (ii) the scheme for which the CPO is sought is unlikely to be blocked by any impediments to implementation; (iii) there is a clear idea of how the land will be used and that necessary resources are likely to be available to achieve that end within a reasonable timeframe ; and (iv) that the land required has or will be sought to be acquired by agreement, with any CPO being relied upon only as a last resort.

Officers have had regard to these tests in seeking the authorisations in this report. Compliance with these tests will be demonstrated as part of any subsequent report to the Executive seeking specific authorisation to make and serve the Orders.

Human Rights

The Human Rights Act 1998 (the “HRA 1998”) incorporated into domestic law the European Convention on Human Rights (“the Convention”). The HRA 1998 makes it unlawful for a public body to act in contravention of the Convention.

The Convention includes provisions in the form of Articles, the aim of which is to protect the rights of the individual. In resolving to make a CPO order the Council has to consider the rights of property owners under the Convention, notably

Article 1 of the First Protocol - protects the right of everyone to the peaceful enjoyment of possessions. No one can be deprived of possessions except in the public interest and subject to the relevant national and international laws;

Article 6 of the First Protocol – protects the right to a fair hearing. In cases to determine civil rights it protects the right to a public hearing before an independent and impartial tribunal within reasonable time.

Article 8 – protects private and family life, home and correspondence. No public authority can interfere with these rights except if it is in accordance with the law and necessary in the interest of national security. Public safety, or the economic well being of the country, for the prevention of disorder or crime, for the protection of health or morals, or for the protection of the rights and freedoms of others;

Article 14 – The enjoyment of the rights and freedoms in the Convention shall be secured without discrimination on any ground such as sex, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, associated with national minority, property, birth or other status.

In the case of each of these Articles (and indeed other provisions in the Convention) the Council has to be conscious of the need to strike a balance between the rights of the individual and the interests of the public.

There are a number of benefits which the works will deliver, specifically it will allow for Wylfa Newydd to be constructed. However, this needs to be balanced with the fact that land and rights along the proposed route of the Online and Offline Works will be affected (although most of the land affected is agricultural, no occupied residential dwelling is being acquired and the scheme will not displace anyone from their home).

Although this Report will not result in authorisation for the making or serving of a CPO, given the context of the Report and that ultimately CPOs may well follow, human rights considerations have been taken into account and it is considered that interference with private rights of those with an interest in the land likely to be required is outweighed by the public benefits which the scheme will bring through the construction and operation of Wylfa Newydd.

Funding of the works

HNP is currently promoting the Wylfa Newydd project with the support of its parent company Hitachi Ltd. Discussions to date confirm that HNP/Hitachi will be fully funding the Online and Offline improvements. This will be a prerequisite to the Council carrying out the works and will be covered in an Agreement between the Council and HNP/Hitachi under section 278 of the Highways Act 1980.

The work involved in acquiring the land and rights needed for the works and in progressing and securing Orders will be underwritten by HNP/Hitachi under an indemnity agreement.

Recommendation

In view of the above, it is requested that the Executive authorise the Head of Service – Highways, Waste and Property to :

(a) enter into an Agreement with Horizon Nuclear Power/Hitachi (HNP) under section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 and any other powers necessary in such form as the

the Head of Service – Highways, Waste and Property requires to ensure HNP indemnifies the Council for all costs and liabilities associated with progressing and promoting Compulsory Purchase Orders(s), Side Road Orders and any other Orders (“the Orders”) necessary to carry out construction and improvement works to the A5025 including associated works and mitigation and in undertaking all work in connection with the Orders, meeting the costs of acquisition of rights and interests in land in order to deliver the works and meeting all compensation liabilities of the Council which will or may arise out the Orders and acquisition of rights and interests;

(b) following completion of the Agreement in (a) above, undertake all steps necessary in preparation for making and serving the Orders. Such steps to include undertaking land searches and referencing of all interests and rights which may be required to deliver the construction and improvement works (including issuing requisitions for information under the Acquisition of Land Act 1981 and/or under the Highways Act 1980), preparing draft Orders and related documentation and undertaking all steps required to allow such Orders to be made and served should such action subsequently be authorised by the Executive;

(c) following completion of the Agreement in (a) above, enter into negotiations with those persons with an interest in land or rights needed to deliver the construction and improvement works in order to acquire, where possible, such land and rights by agreement, to include making offers to acquire such land and rights and entering into agreements to acquire such land and rights as the Head of Service – Highways, Waste and Property considers appropriate.

As noted in the report (above), a further report will be brought to the Executive to request authorisation for Orders to be made and served at the appropriate time should the interests and rights needed to deliver the works not be acquired by agreement and/or such Orders remain necessary.

As also noted above, this report relates specifically to the highway between A55 J3 and Wylfa Newydd along the A5 and A5025

B – What other options did you consider and why did you reject them and/or opt for this option?

The Council has entered into a Collaboration Agreement with HNP which confirms, in principle, that the Council would exercise statutory Highway Authority powers, including those of compulsory purchase. Currently, neither the Council nor HNP has sufficient control over the land required to deliver the highway works and it is therefore considered that compulsory purchase may be required. This report seeks authority to progress the steps required in preparation of such orders (as well as related orders) and to enable the Council to enter into negotiations with landowners to see if it is possible to acquire the necessary land and rights by Agreement. A

further report will be brought to the Executive before any Orders are made and served.

C – Why is this a decision for the Executive?

This report follows from the Executive Report of 16 March 2015 and the Collaboration Agreement entered into on 1 June 2015. It deals with matters in relation to Compulsory Purchase which fall within the remit of the Executive.

CH – Is this decision consistent with policy approved by the full Council?

Yes

D – Is this decision within the budget approved by the Council?

Yes. The cost of the work required by the Council is being underwritten by HNP.

DD – Who did you consult?		What did they say?
1	Chief Executive / Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) (mandatory)	Received comments on ensuring the justification for the works were robust in the report. Legal advice has been received on this.
2	Finance / Section 151 (mandatory)	Received a question on the cost of maintenance – there is intended to be a mechanism within the S278 agreements with HNP that ensure loACC maintenance costs do not increase
3	Legal / Monitoring Officer (mandatory)	None received
4	Human Resources (HR)	
5	Property	Dylan Edwards has been involved with the discussion around a potential CPO and he will be leading on the valuation for the CPO
6	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	
7	Scrutiny	
8	Local Members	Briefing session arranged on 1 st June for Highways Waste and Property Portfolio holder John Arwel Roberts, Twrcelyn members, Talybolion members and Llifon members – John Arwel Roberts and Joh

		Griffith attended and were happy with the content of the report
9	Any external bodies / other/s	Briefing session arranged for 8 th June with Dylan Williams Economic Development and Iwan Huws

E – Risks and any mitigation (if relevant)		
1	Economic	
2	Anti-poverty	
3	Crime and Disorder	
4	Environmental	
5	Equalities	
6	Outcome Agreements	
7	Other	

F - Appendices:
Plan showing extent of land

FF - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):
<p>Report to the Executive of 9th June 2014 on Options in relation to securing improvements to the A5025 to facilitate the development proposals of HNP.</p> <p>Report to the Executive of 16 March 2015 on Partnership working proposals in relation to securing improvements to the A5025 and other highways to facilitate the development proposals of HNP.</p> <p>Highway Works Collaboration Agreement dated 1 June 2015 between the Council and HNP.</p>



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