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RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD	NOTICE OF MEETING
PWYLLGOR ARBENNIG O'R PWYLLGOR SGRIWTINI PARTNERIAETH AC ADFYWIO	SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DYDD MAWRTH, 4 CHWEFROR, 2014 am 4 o'r gloch	TUESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2014 at 4.00 pm
YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR 1, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR, LLANGEFNI	COMMITTEE ROOM 1, COUNCIL OFFICES, LLANGEFNI
Swyddog Pwyllgor Mrs. Mairwen Hughes (01248) 752516 Committee Officer	

# AELODAU / MEMBERS

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# Plaid Cymru / The Party of Wales

John Griffith, Carwyn Jones, Alun W Mummery (Is-Gadeirydd/Vice-Chair) and Dylan Rees

# Heb Ymuno / Unaffiliated

R.LI.Jones, Raymond Jones

# Aelodau Ychwanegol/Additional Members (gyda hawl pleidleisio ar faterion addysg/with voting rights in respect of educational matters)

Parch./Rev. Robert Townsend (Yr Eglwys yng Nghymru/The Church in Wales) and Mr. Keith Roberts (Yr Eglwys Babyddol Rufeinig/The Roman Catholic Church)

Aelod Cyfetholedig/Co-opted Member (Dim Hawl Pleidleisio/No Voting Rights) Mr Gerallt Llewelyn Jones (Rheolwr Gyfarwyddwr/Managing Director - Mentor Môn)

# 1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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

# 2 <u>TIMING OF MEETINGS</u> (Pages 1 - 2)

- (1) To report that the County Council upon consideration of the above had resolved as follows :-
  - 'To support the convening of some meetings (Planning and Orders Committee and the two Scrutiny Committees) at 4.00 p.m., and 4.30 p.m., and that arrangements be discussed with the Chairs and Members of the relevant Committees and that an update report be presented to the next scheduled meeting of the Council on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2014;
  - To note the findings of the initial equality impact assessment;
  - That arrangements be piloted for a period of 12 months commencing in April 2014.'
- (2) To submit the report of the Interim Head of Democratic Services.

(3) To give consideration to the above.

(If any Members are unable to be present, would they kindly forward their preferences to the Chair of the Committee).

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL	
MEETING:	COUNTY COUNCIL
DATE:	27 January 2014
TITLE OF REPORT:	TIMING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS
REPORT BY:	INTERIM HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES
PURPOSE OF REPORT:	TO REPORT BACK TO THE COUNCIL AND AGREE PROPOSALS

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 A report on the timing of Council meetings was submitted to the Council on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013.
- 1.2 Council resolved:

"to defer consideration and that the matter be considered further by Group Leaders and the SLT (including an Equality Impact Assessment) to ascertain the feasibility of convening some meetings at either 4.00pm or 4.30pm. The outcome of such deliberations to be reported back to the County Council at the earliest opportunity."

#### 2.0 Discussions

2.1 The feasibility of convening some meetings at either 4.00pm or 4.30pm has been considered by Group Leaders and SLT and this is supported. Group Leaders are recommending that arrangements be piloted in respect of the Planning and Licensing Committee and the two Scrutiny Committees.

# 3.0 Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1 An initial Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken on the likely impact of starting meetings at 4.00pm and 4.30pm. This has concluded that should the Council agree to convening such meetings at either 4.00pm and 4.30pm that:
  - consideration be given to minimising any potential negative impact on members by seeking to identify (from current committee membership details) where later start times would be likely to have an adverse impact;
  - consideration be given to whether there are any opportunities to further promote equality by enhancing public access to meetings;
  - that, if the Council ultimately decides to change the timing of its meetings, the new arrangements should be carefully monitored and reviewed as the reality of

the actual impact of any policy will only be known once it has been introduced and implemented.

# 4.0 **Recommendations**

- 1) To support the convening of some meetings at 4.00pm and 4.30pm and that arrangements be discussed with the relevant Chairs of Committees para 2.1 above.
- 2) To note the findings of the initial equality impact assessment.
- 3) That arrangements be piloted for a period of 12 months commencing in April 2014.

Huw Jones Interim Head of Democratic Services 17/01/14