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<b>RHYBUDD O GYFARFOD</b>	<b>NOTICE OF MEETING</b>
<b>PWYLLGOR SGRIWTINI PARTNERIAETH AC ADFYWIO</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>DYDD MAWRTH, 17 IONAWR, 2023 am 2.00 o'r gloch yp</b>	<b>TUESDAY, 17 JANUARY, 2023 at 2.00 pm</b>
<b>CYFARFOD HYBRID YN YSTAFELL BWYLLGOR 1, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR, LLANGFENI AC YN RHITHIOL TRWY ZOOM</b>	<b>HYBRID MEETING IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1, COUNCIL OFFICES, LLANGFENI AT VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM</b>
<b>Swyddog Pwyllgor</b>	<b>Mrs. Mairwen Hughes 01248 752516 Committee Officer</b>

## AELODAU / MEMBERS

Cynghorwyr / Councillors:-

### Y Grwp Annibynnol/ The Independent Group

Gwilym O Jones (**Is-gadeirydd/Vice-Chair**)

### Plaid Cymru / The Party of Wales

Non Dafydd, Euryrn Morris, Trefor LI Hughes MBE, John I Jones, Dylan Rees  
(**Cadeirydd/Chair**), Margaret M Roberts, Ken Taylor

### Annibynnwyr Môn/Anglesey Independents

Paul Ellis, Jeff Evans, Derek Owen

### Llafur Cymru/Welsh Labour

Pip O'Neill

**Aelodau Ychwanegol/Additional Members (gyda hawl pleidleisio ar faterion addysg/with voting rights in respect of educational matters) Sedd Wag/Vacant Seat (Yr Eglwys yng Nghymru/The Church in Wales), Sedd Wag/Vacant Seat (Rhiant Llywodraethwr – Sector Ysgolion Cynradd/Parent Governor – Primary Schools Sector), Mrs Llio Johnson-(Rhiant Llywodraethwyr – Sector Ysgolion Uwchradd ac ADY/Parent Governor – Secondary Schools Sector and ALN) Mr John Tierney (Yr Eglwys Babyddol Rufeinig/The Roman Catholic Church)**

### **Aelod Cyfetholedig/Co-opted Member (Dim Hawl Pleidleisio/No Voting Rights)**

Mr. Dafydd Gruffydd ( Rheolwr Gyfarwyddwr/Managing Director - Menter Môn)

# AGENDA

1 **APOLOGIES**

2 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

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

3 **MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 8)

To submit, for confirmation, the minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 November, 2022.

4 **CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING - ANNUAL REPORT - NOVEMBER 2021/2022**  
(Pages 9 - 50)

To submit a report by the Director of Social Services.

5 **DRAFT WELL-BEING PLAN - GWYNEDD & YNYS MÔN PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD : 2023/2028** (Pages 51 - 64)

To submit a report by the Chief Executive.

6 **PROGRESS REPORT Q2 - 2022/2023: NORTH WALES ECONOMIC AMBITION BOARD** (Pages 65 - 90)

To submit a report by the Chief Executive.

7 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 91 - 98)

To present the report of the Scrutiny Manager.

## PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

### Minutes of the hybrid meeting held on 23 November 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillor Dylan Rees (Chair)  
Councillor Gwilym O Jones (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Non Dafydd, Paul Ellis, Jeff Evans, T LI Hughes MBE, Euryyn Morris, Pip O'Neill, Derek Owen, Margaret M Roberts and Ken Taylor.

#### Portfolio Members

Councillor Llinos Medi (Leader of the Council); Councillor Carwyn Jones (Deputy Leader and Portfolio Member for Economic Development, Leisure and Tourism); Councillor Alun Mummery (Portfolio Member for Housing and Community Safety); Councillor Dafydd R Thomas (Portfolio Member for Highways, Waste and Property); Councillor Ieuan Williams (Portfolio Member for Education and the Welsh Language).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive,  
Deputy Chief Executive,  
Head of Adults' Services,  
Head of Regulation and Economic Development,  
Head of Housing Services,  
Scrutiny Manager,  
Committee Officer (MEH).

**APOLOGIES:** Councillor John I Jones.  
Mr John Tierney (The Roman Catholic Church).

Councillor Robin Williams (Portfolio Member for Finance, Corporate Business and Customer Experience),  
Director of Social Services,  
Director of Education, Skills and Young People.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ms Daron Owens – Community Safety Senior Operational Officer for Gwynedd and Anglesey (for item 4);  
Ms Catrin Roberts – Head of Regional Collaboration (North Wales Regional Partnership Board) (for item 5);  
Mr Hedd Vaughan Evans (Head of Operations) North Wales Economic Ambition Board (for item 6);  
Mr David Mathews (Land & Property Programme Manager) North Wales Economic Ambition Board (for item 6);  
Mr Stuart Whitfield (Digital Programme Manager) North Wales Economic Ambition Board (for item 6).

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#### 1 APOLOGIES

As noted above.

#### 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Euryrn Morris declared a personal interest in respect of Item 6 – North Wales Economic Ambition Board.

Councillor T LI Hughes MBE declared a personal interest in respect of Item 4 – Gwynedd and Ynys Môn Community Safety Partnership – Annual Report : 2021/2022.

Councillor Dafydd R Thomas declared a personal interest in respect of Item 4 – Gwynedd and Ynys Môn Community Safety Partnership – Annual Report : 2021/2022.

### **3 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 October, 2022 were confirmed as correct, subject to the name of Councillor Ken Taylor being included in the list of members present.

### **4 GWYNEDD AND YNYS MÔN COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP - ANNUAL REPORT: 2021/2022**

Submitted - the Gwynedd and Anglesey Community Safety Partnership Annual Report for 2021/2022.

The Portfolio Member for Housing & Community Safety said that the Community Safety Partnership is required to formally report to this committee each year to present an overview of activities. He noted that virtual meetings has improved the attendance at these meetings.

The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer for Gwynedd and Anglesey reported that there is a statutory duty on local authorities, in accordance with the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, and subsequent amendments due to the Police and Criminal Justice Act 2002 and 2006, to work in partnership with the Police, Health Service, Probation Service and the Fire and Rescue Service, to address the local community safety agenda. There is also a requirement to formulate and implement a strategy to prevent and reduce serious violence following the amendments to the Crime and Disorder Act as a result of the new Serious Violence Duty expected next year. She further referred that some of the main challenges the partnership has and currently faces is the loss of local grants – all the grants, which the partnership once received have now either ended, or have moved to a regional grant position, managed on a North Wales basis. The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer referred to the recent crime data for Anglesey for November 2022 as noted within the report that is received from the Partnership Analyst within North Wales Police. She further noted that due to the collaboration between the Police, Local Authority and the Holyhead Town Council, a successful bid for Holyhead was submitted in May under the Home Office's Safer Streets 4 Fund.

The Committee considered the report and raised the following main points:-

- Whilst welcoming the successful bid for the Safer Streets 4 Fund in Holyhead, members raised that rural communities are unable to benefit from such a project and questions were raised to the availability of mobile CCTV cameras within rural communities. The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer responded that the eligibility criteria of the Safer Streets 4 Fund is specific as to the level of crime cases reported within a specific area to qualify for funding. She noted that discussions have taken place with the Police regarding funding from the Shared Prosperity Fund for rural communities. With regards to mobile CCTV cameras she noted that the Town Councils have taken over the operation of CCTV cameras, however she assured the

members that she would make enquiries as to possible availability of mobile CCTV cameras. The Deputy Chief Executive noted that as Chair of the Partnership he would raise the matter at the next meeting of the Partnership. The Chief Executive said that rural crime concerns could be an appropriate issue to raise at the WLGA Rural Forum;

- Reference was made to the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and questions were raised as to how the partnership works in an effective and efficient manner in accordance with expectations of the Act. The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer responded that partner organisations within the Community Safety Partnership are able to create links and share expertise to assure that crime and disorder issues are addressed;
- Questions were raised as to the effect of the pandemic on crime figures on the Island. The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer responded that crime figures fell over the pandemic due to shops and pubs closed and people working from home. However, hate crime figure increased due to people travelling over the boarder to rural areas and on-line fraud saw a significant increase with more people purchasing goods on-line. The Chief Executive said that due to the cost of living crisis discussions have undertaken within the Partnership as regards to the potential increase in crime i.e. shop lifting and burglaries;
- Questions were raised as to what extent is the action plan sufficiently robust to deal with aspects of the priority areas for the benefit of Anglesey's communities. Members expressed that they would prefer to see Police Officers presence within the local communities and speaking to residents to ascertain their concerns. The Community Safety Senior Operational Officer responded that it is important for the Partnership to be able to bid for funding as the Safer Street 4 Fund. She noted that resources could be made available through the Shared Prosperity Fund for rural communities. Members considered that an invitation needs to be given to a representative from North Wales Police to attend this meeting when the item regarding Community Safety is on the agenda.

**It was RESOLVED:-**

- **To note the contents of the report and attached documents and to support the priorities and future direction of the work;**
- **To ascertain whether mobile CCTV cameras can be made available through the Community Safety Partnership within rural communities;**
- **To ensure that rural communities are able to take advantage of any funding resources available so as to protect their communities.**

**ACTION : As noted above.**

## **5 NORTH WALES REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD – ANNUAL REPORT (PART 9) : 2021/2022**

Submitted – the North Wales Regional Partnership Board Annual Report for 2021/2022.

The Leader of the Council said that it is a requirement within the Part 9 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 that each Regional Partnership Board prepares, publishes and submits its Annual Report to Welsh Government. The Act requires that local authorities 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. It also places a duty on relevant partners to co-operate with, and provide information to, the local authorities for the purposes of their social services function.

The Head of Regional Collaboration (North Wales Regional Partnership Board) reported that the role of the Regional Partnership Board is to bring together partner organisations

i.e. Health, Social Services, Housing, the third sector and other partners to integrate services. The Regional Team manages and supports the foundation and resources available so as to allow the partner organisations to carry out the work. The Regional Partnership Board meet on a monthly basis and sets out a clear direction to the partner organisations as regards to the remit of the Partnerships work that is expected as part of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014. The Board has no dedicated funding streams and its activity currently funded from a mix of local authority pooling of funding and Welsh Government capital and revenue funding through the Integrated Care Fund (ICF) and the Transformation Programme Fund. She highlighted the work undertaken by the Regional Partnership Board over the last twelve months which was included within the report. She further said that there is a national social care recruitment and retention crisis at present and the Partnership Board is supporting a national recruitment package through its partner organisations. The Head of Regional Collaboration said that a Children's Sub-Group has been established so as to highlight the work of the Children's Services across the region which was also highlighted within the report. She further said that the Regional Partnership Board is now entering a new phase with the 5 year Health and Social Care Regional Integration Fund to drive change and transformation across the health and social care system, as well as a 4 year Housing and Care Capital Fund and a 3 year Integration and Rebalancing Capital Fund.

The Committee considered the report and raised the following main points:-

- Questions were raised as to what the key priorities that will be the focus of the Regional Partnership Board from 2022/2023 onwards. The Head of Collaboration responded that the Partnership Board has been concentrating on the work involved with the Regional Integration Fund together with the other two capital funds received and establishing a work programme in consultation with the partner organisations. A review of the population needs assessment has also been undertaken together with the market stability report. The priorities of the Partnership Board from next year onwards will be addressing the principles of the Regional Integration Funding and building on the programme that has been put in place by the Board together with the Area Plan;
- In response to a question as to what extent has the Board accomplished its key priorities during 2021/2022, the Head of Collaboration said that the Partnership Board has achieved its priorities that was set out within the Integrated Care Fund (ICF) and the Transformation Programme Fund. Work was undertaken as regards to the Population Needs Assessment and the Market Stability Report and both priorities were achieved within the timescale. Members sought clarification as regards to the Community Services Transformation Programme and the changes implemented have been limited and less progress has been made than anticipated. The Head of Collaboration responded that the approach undertaken as regards to the Community Services Transformation Programme was not as expected and there are some analytical tools and documents that have been produced and these need to be properly identified and made available for further development work. There is a need to have better connection between the different elements of the programme, with a more regional approach rather than an area one taken to roll out of models which have been demonstrably effective;
- Reference was made to the national crisis as regards to recruitment and retention of social care workers and questions were raised as to the situation on Anglesey. The Head of Adults' Services responded that the recruitment and retention of social care workers is a national problem and difficulties are faced when advertising and filling of posts within the care sector;
- The Committee made reference to the 'i CAN' programme and to the survey of service users together with a summary of the evaluation of the programme included within the

Annual Report. Questions were raised as to how effectiveness of the 'i CAN' programme as the statistics within the report is not as positive. The Head of Adult's Services responded that the 'i CAN ' programme is a new provision and there are challenges in engaging with some service users. He further said that he anticipated that there will be an opportunity to further developed the programme in due course.

**It was RESOLVED:-**

- **To confirm the work that is required to be undertaken by the Regional Partnership Board;**
- **To note the progress in 2021/2022 on the work areas that are being taken forward regionally through the North Wales Regional Partnership Board.**

**ACTION : As noted above.**

## **6 NORTH WALES ECONOMIC AMBITION BOARD**

Submitted – the following reports by the North Wales Economic Ambition Board:-

- **North Wales Economic Ambition Board – Annual Report : 2021/2022**
- **North Wales Economic Ambition Board – Progress Report Q1 : 2022/2023**

The Leader of the Council said that the Annual Report highlights the progress made over the last year by the North Wales Ambition Board. The report also provides an overview of the Growth Deal and the progress made in delivering the projects together with other key milestones achieved during the year. She said that the Quarter 1 Progress Report provides an overview of progress on the Growth Deal programmes and projects.

The Head of Operations from the North Wales Economic Ambition Board gave a summary of the progress of the work of the Ambition Board to deliver the identified project within the Growth Deal. He reported on the objectives of the Ambition Board to create up to 4,200 job opportunities and to generate up to £2.4 billion additional GVA. The Land & Property Programme Manager and Digital Programme Manager from the North Wales Economic Ambition Board reported on the highlights from April 2021 to March 2022 as follows:-

**April 2021** – A funding of £500k was secured from Welsh Government's Whole System Business Research Innovation for Decarbonisation scheme to help farmers decarbonise;

**May 2021** – A grant of £200k was secured through the OFGEM Green Recovery scheme to develop low carbon technologies for homes such as EV charging points and heating systems;

**June 2021** – A focus group was conducted with the public and private sector to help identify the priorities for mobile connectivity across the region's transport networks;

**July 2021** – A visit was hosted from UK Government and Welsh Government Ministers;

**August 2021** – The Outline Business Case of the Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub project was approved;

**September 2021** – An Energy Strategy for North Wales was launched with Welsh Government, to transform how energy is used across the region;

**October 2021** - £2,300 was raised for Mind, with donations being split across the North Wales braches;

**November 2021** – A grant of £387,600 was secured from the Community Renewal Fund to conduct feasibility studies for Smart Local Energy Systems;

**December 2021** – The first Full Business Case was approved for the Digital Signal Processing Centre at Bangor University;

**January 2022** – An upgrade to the broadband services at 300 sites through the Local Full Fibre Network Scheme;

**February 2022** – Support was given to three organisations to launch new agricultural systems that will help farmers decarbonise;

**March 2022** – Morlais, the tidal energy stream project ran by Menter Môn, became ready to start construction.

The Head of Operations reported on the progress since April 2022 with the approval of the Outline Business Case for the Enterprise Engineering and Optics Centre with Glyndwr University and an Optics Centre and Last Few % Project. In July 2022 the Digital Signal Processing Centre (DSP) project was launched with representation from both UK and Welsh Governments. He referred to recent decisions to withdraw the Bodelwyddan Key Strategic Site project and the Llysfasi Net Zero Farm project from the Growth Bid. He further said that the North Wales Ambition Board has agreed to a joint venture with Welsh Government for the proposed delivery of advanced build employment provision at Bryn Gegin, Bangor which is a growth bid project.

The Committee considered the report and raised the following main points:-

- Reference was made to the key priorities of the North Wales Ambition Board and to develop the strategy for attracting investment by the private sector towards the Growth Bid. Questions were raised as to whether the third bridge across the Menai Straits is within the remits of the Ambition Board as it is essential to attract businesses to the Island and to create employment opportunities. The Head of Operations responded that the third bridge across the Menai Straits is not part of the Growth Bid as the Bid initially included 20 projects which have been agreed between both UK and Welsh Governments. The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Member for Economic Development, Leisure and Tourism said that the third bridge across the Menai Straits has been continuously raised with Welsh Government over the years and especially recently due to the closure of the Menai Suspension Bridge which also create additional pressure on the Port of Holyhead due to the traffic delays. The costs of building a third bridge amounts to over £400m at present and could affect the Ambition Boards projects if the third bridge will not materialise. The Chief Executive said that there is a statutory responsibility as a region through the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC's) to create a strategic transport plan. He noted the importance of recognising the need for a new third bridge as a priority in the new strategic transport plan and to work with the CJC to highlight this as a priority for the region;
- With reference to the Corporate Joint Committee (CJC's) it was expressed that the authority had to take part in the process of establishing a Corporate Joint Committee which is a costly process with local authorities across Wales facing challenging financial situation at present. Questions were raised as to difficulties in establishing such a provision without duplication of work that is currently happening already. The Chief Executive responded that the CJC's are a new body that has statutory responsibilities and the current Portfolio Director of the Ambition Boards has been seconded to the CJC's Chief Executive role (part-time) and is considering how to combine structures, decrease duplication, and keep the additional costs associated with the CJC's to a minimal. He noted that there are currently 3 programmes that needs to be addressed, namely, the Strategic Transport Plan, Strategic Planning Strategy for the Region and the Economic Development Programme;
- Questions were raised as to the status of the Low Carbon Centre of Excellence at Bangor University and whether there is any slippages in developing the project. The Head of Operations responded that the Egni Project - Low Carbon Centre of Excellence is reporting red and is currently in the early stages of the process and is facing high cost inflation issues as is similar with other projects. The Egni Project is

part of a wider estates strategy at Bangor University. The Ambition Boards is working with the project sponsors;

- Reference was made that the report does not highlight the number of employment opportunities that are likely to be created from the projects especially on Anglesey. It was expressed that young people need to have the security and vision that there will be employment opportunities available for them to enable them to be able to stay on the Island. It was emphasised that training opportunities and apprenticeship scheme also needs to be created and supported. Questions were raised as to whether the Ambition Board is actively promoting that job opportunities will be available for young people and especially within the 5 secondary schools on the Island. The Head of Operations responded that the Ambition Board sought financial revenue resources towards a skills programme from both the UK and Welsh Governments but the request was not supported as it was only capital funding towards the Growth Bids that was available. However, he noted that two Officers have been appointed by the Skills Partnership to work with Careers Wales, STEM North Wales and other employers to ensure that young people within the local schools are aware of the employment opportunities. He further said that there is an intention to bid for resources from the Shared Prosperity Fund to develop the STEM North Wales programme together with skills and learning programme within secondary schools. Representatives from the Skills Partnership are willing to attend this meeting to discuss the work undertaken;
- Questions were raised as to the current situation as regards to the 3 Holyhead projects, namely, Morlais, Breakwater restoration and the Port expansion. The Head of Operations said that the only project that is active at present is the Morlais project and work is currently been undertaken to create the infrastructure needed to progress with the work. The Land & Property Programme Manager reported on the Port expansion project and said that there is a draft business case prepared by Stena's consultants in respect of the Port land reclamation. The role of the Ambition Board has been to support and assist as regards to the Growth Bid funding, however the Ambition Board is constrained due to restrictions as regards to subsidy support rules. He further noted that resources as part of the Growth Deal can be utilised towards the Holyhead Gateway project and to help to support the Breakwater refurbishment project. He said that it is anticipated that the Breakwater and the Port expansion works will commence in 2023 with a two year time-frame for construction activity;
- Reference was made to the current cost of living crisis and questions were raised as to the effect on the projects within the Growth Deal. The Head of Operations responded that the cost of living crisis is the challenge faced by the Ambition Board as to inflation costs and building projects costing over 30% to 40% higher than anticipated which puts significant challenges especially for the most mature projects that are ready to proceed. It is anticipated that some of the projects with the Growth Deal may now not proceed.

**It was RESOLVED to note the Annual Report for 2021/2022 and to note the progress made during Quarter 1 – 2022/2023.**

**ACTION : As noted above.**

## **7 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The report of the Scrutiny Manager setting out the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee's indicative Forward Work Programme for 2022/23 was presented for consideration.

**It was RESOLVED:-**

- To agree the current version of the Forward Work Programme for 2022/23.
- To note the progress thus far in implementing the Forward Work Programme.

**COUNCILLOR DYLAN REES  
CHAIR**

**ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**Scrutiny Report Template**

<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee</b>
<b>Date:</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Corporate Safeguarding Annual Report November 21/22
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>	Present the annual corporate safeguarding report, which describes the progress made and how embedded safeguarding is within all aspects of council services, functions, and duties.  Provide Scrutiny with essential and key information to allow effective scrutiny of the Councils' corporate safeguarding arrangements.
<b>Scrutiny Chair:</b>	Cllr Dylan Rees
<b>Portfolio Holder(s):</b>	This matter applies to all portfolios
<b>Head of Service:</b>	This is a matter for all Heads of Service. The report is submitted in the name of the Statutory Director of Social Services in accordance with the statutory responsibility and accountability for safeguarding matters that is vested in that role.
<b>Report Author:</b> <b>Tel:</b> <b>Email:</b>	Anwen Huws (Service Manager) 01248 751811 AnwenMHughes@ynysmon.llyw.cym
<b>Local Members:</b>	Not applicable

**1 - Recommendation/s**

The Committee is requested to scrutinise the effectiveness of the:  
R1 Corporate safeguarding arrangements in terms of how well embedded this is within all aspects of council services, functions, and duties.  
R2 proposed work plan for corporate safeguarding arrangements.

**2 – Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities**

The Council believes that every child and adult have the right to be safe from harm. Councils play a crucial, statutory role in safeguarding children and adults who may be at risk and promoting their well-being. Safeguarding can only be truly effective if it is embedded across all Services and Teams within a Council, at a 'hearts and minds' level.

**3 – Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members**

**To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-**

- 3.1** Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]
- 3.2** A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change – both financially and in terms of quality [focus on value]
- 3.3** A look at any risks [focus on risk]
- 3.4** Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]
- 3.5** Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of:
  - Long term
  - Prevention
  - Integration
  - Collaboration
  - Involvement
 [focus on wellbeing]
- 3.6** The potential impacts the decision would have on:
  - protected groups under the Equality Act 2010
  - those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (when making strategic decisions)
  - opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language
 [focus on equality and the Welsh language]

**4 - Key Scrutiny Questions**

- To what extent are governance arrangements effective?
- What progress is being made against the work plan?
- Are the resources in place for delivering the work plan?
- Is there evidence that there are clear opportunities for staff and members in relation to the expectations placed on them to respond appropriately to concerns made known to them?
- To what extent is there evidence that robust corporate procedures are in place and that they are implemented consistently?
- How does the Council ensure safe practice in commissioned services and that all providers who act on behalf of the Council exercise their safeguarding responsibilities effectively?

**5 – Background / Context**

Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility. This principle is set down in legislation, statutory guidance, and Codes of Practice in Wales, under the Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act.

Corporate Safeguarding within Councils describes the policy commitment that a Council makes and the arrangements it has in place, to ensure that all its services, employees, volunteers and Elected Members play their part in safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of children and adults who may be at risk of harm.

**6 – Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language]**

**6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010**

This report does not require a decision or proposal for change that directly affects individuals, so there is no impact on people who share protected characteristics

**6.2 Potential impacts on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (strategic decisions)**

This report does not require a decision or proposal for change that directly affects individuals, so there is no impact on people experiencing economic – social disadvantage in their lives.

**6.3 Potential impacts on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language**

This report does not require a decision or proposal for a change that directly affects individuals, so there is no impact on the opportunities for people to use Welsh and not treat Welsh less favourably than English

**7 – Financial Implications**

There is no need for a decision or proposal for a change in this report that requires additional resources to what is already available - which is officers' time

**8 – Appendices:**

Appendix 1 – Terms of Reference Corporate Safeguarding Board

Appendix 2 - Glossary and Partnerships Information

Appendix 3 – Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan (November 2022)

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

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## Corporate Safeguarding Annual Report

### 1 Corporate Leadership and governance

- 1.1 The governance structure ensures that the legal duties are carried out, and Ynys Mon's approach to safeguarding is delivered. It promotes a Council-wide culture of safeguarding awareness and leadership. Strategic direction and ensuring the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements lies with the Corporate Safeguarding Board, which meets quarterly as part of the Corporate Management Team: ensuring the involvement of every Director and Head of Service. Delivery of the strategic direction lies with the Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board: with cross organisation membership. (Appendix 1)
- 1.2 Each service has an identified Safeguarding Champion: a source of advice on all safeguarding matters for other staff within their service and ensuring that compliance with the Corporate Safeguarding Policy and Action Plan is reported on a regular basis to their Management Team and the Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board.
- 1.3 Directors and Heads of Service are required to set out in the annual Service Delivery Plan, their Safeguarding objectives: reviewing progress in meeting those objectives on a quarterly basis and annually within the Service Challenge process. On behalf of the Director of Social Services, the Corporate Performance Manager ensures that this happens consistently across the organisation.
- 1.4 The revised Corporate Safeguarding Policy was launched via the Policy Portal in May 2022: with an expectation that staff read and accept the policy. Compliance levels are measured and reported to the individual Directors and Heads of Service: and to the Leadership Team. The report to the Leadership Team in November 2022 noted that 94% of those expected to accept the policy had done so.
- 1.5 For corporate safeguarding to be successful shared safeguarding ownership across local and regional partnerships is required. The Local Authority provides funding and officer time to several key strategic partnerships. Appendix 2 provides further information.

### 2 Workforce

- 2.1 The Local Authority must ensure that all employees and volunteers understand their roles and responsibilities for safeguarding and are aware that this includes reporting concerns or worries about children and adults they encounter.
- 2.2 Embedding a corporate safeguarding approach and culture to workforce development includes ensuring that the Local Authority has relevant policies and practice in relation to:
  - 2.2.1 Safer recruitment approach across the council, openly advertising that staff will require DBS checks for certain roles to protect children and adults at risk and rechecking of the DBS status every three years. Robust employment checks and reference requests.
  - 2.2.2 All job descriptions include a requirement to comply with the relevant safeguarding policies and procedures.
  - 2.2.3 Safeguarding is included as part of the Authority's induction process.
  - 2.2.4 A Corporate Safeguarding Training framework: all employees are required to undertake mandatory safeguarding children and adults training. Specialist training is also provided in line with the identified workforce needs.

- 2.2.5 Safeguarding Site on Monitor: providing a valuable resource for officers across the organisation and is something that can be developed over time.
  - 2.2.6 Activities held during National Safeguarding Week providing a good opportunity to promote Corporate Safeguarding amongst staff.
- 2.3 The Action Plan in appendix 3 shows that overall, there are good levels of compliance with mandatory e- learning safeguarding training. The challenge going forward: -
- 2.3.1 Ensure that the e -learning offer is accessible to services who have a dispersed workforce with no access to Council email or require support in terms of digital inclusion.
  - 2.3.2 Services to ensure completing mandatory safeguarding training forms part of the induction process for staff who are new to the authority. (Key action, reflected in the action plan)
- 2.4 Wales National Safeguarding Training Standards is structured into groups, defining the responsibilities associated with different employee, executive or leadership roles. A key action, reflected in the action plan. is to map our workforce to the various groups and to plan training delivery. This is an opportunity to map the workforce training requirements in terms of Prevent and Modern Slavery at the same time.
- 2.5 The Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Act established the National Training Framework, which includes six training groups. All public services professions belong to one of these groups and it is a requirement that every member of the Council's workforce receives the relevant training. Welsh Government expected Councils to ensure that all their staff completed Level 1 training. Compliance is at 80% which is just below the Welsh Average of 81%. Going forward it is important that services continue to ensure compliance with the requirement. (Key action, reflected in the action plan). We have sufficient individuals trained as Ask and Act trainers /Champions, namely Level 3 of the National Training Framework. They have delivered to 444 council employees over 20 sessions and 198 school staff over 11 sessions. Going forward it is important that services continue to identify those officers who are in a position to Ask and Act so that they are able to complete the required training. (Key action, reflected in the action plan)

### 3 Effective Support and Interventions

- 3.1 Part 5 of the Wales Safeguarding Procedures set out arrangements for responding to safeguarding concerns about those whose work, either in a paid or voluntary capacity, which brings them into contact with children or adults at risk.
- 3.1.1 For the period November 2021 to November 2022 there were 15 allegations made against council employees/volunteers who work with children: one of which was an allegation of historic abuse. Most of the allegations made were against school staff or foster carers. Others were employed in leisure centres or as a cleaner. Of these 5 of the concerns were substantiated: 6 were unsubstantiated: 3 were unfounded and 1 is ongoing.
  - 3.1.2 For the same period there were 5 allegations against council employees/volunteers who work with adults with care and support needs. Of these 2 allegations were substantiated: another 2 are ongoing and another did not meet the threshold for consideration under these arrangements.

- 3.1.3 For the same period there were 20 allegations against employees/volunteers in commissioned services who work with adults with care and support needs. Of these 9 were substantiated: 3 were unsubstantiated: 4 did not meet the threshold for consideration under these arrangements: 4 are ongoing and another was referred to the local authority where the workplace was located.
  - 3.1.4 The allegations span the range of the threshold definition – including causing harm to individuals, committing criminal offences and wider issues of suitability to work with children and/or adults at risk.
  - 3.1.5 DBS barring notifications and professional body referrals are made in appropriate circumstances.
- 3.2 The Local Authority committed to the Code of Practice on Ethical Employment in Supply Chains: aimed at ensuring that every public sector organisation acts to abolish unlawful and unethical employment practices. The Local Authority’s statement of how it acted on the commitments in the Code of Practice has been reviewed and published. A key action, reflected in the action plan, is to provide training for officers involved in procurement and contracting in relation to ethical procurement in the supply chains.
- 3.3 Referrals received in relation to Modern Slavery are not high in number. There are response pathways in place, and we were instrumental in developing the North Wales Regional Multi Agency Referral Pathway which was launched in November 2022 by the Vulnerability and Exploitation Board. These will be launched in within the Local Authority in the new year. (Key action, reflected in the action plan)
- 3.4 The Community Safety page on the Council's website, which is available to the public, offers high quality advice about the services provided to people experiencing domestic abuse. The Local Authority are considering establishing a Safe Haven in its public facing sites: enabling victims of domestic abuse to discreetly ask for immediate help by gaining access to a safe space with the use of a phone and a directory of useful contact numbers/services.
- 3.5 The Children and Families Service also leads the development of the 'One Front Door' service. This is a multi-agency approach to identifying and risk rating referrals received and a forum to evaluate and develop services around domestic abuse depending on risk and needs.
- 3.6 Agencies Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Tasking ADAPT. In short ADAPT is a multi-agency approach to domestic abuse perpetrator treatment. We are involved in a monthly meeting to discuss a cohort of domestic abuse perpetrators to meet the overarching safeguarding objectives of
- Reducing re-offending of domestic abuse perpetrators
  - Safeguarding adults and children at risk of domestic abuse
  - Breaking the cycle of abuse of the perpetrator

The key method to achieve this goal is by changing or disrupting offender behaviour, by utilising multi agency approaches.

- 3.7 We also participate in the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC) which are regular local multi agency meetings which discuss victims at high risk of serious harm due to domestic abuse. Together, the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference develops an action

plan for each victim, designed to offer them appropriate support and mitigate the risks involved. Within the reporting period 208 cases were discussed in the weekly MARAC with 11 cases discussed in the monthly MARAC (where the risk is considered to be high).

- 3.8 Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) are designed to protect the public, including previous victims of crime, from serious harm by sexual and violent offenders. They require the local criminal justice agencies and other bodies dealing with offenders to work together. The Local Authority have a “duty to co-operate” in this task, and to work on aspects of an offender’s life (e.g., housing, social care). Over the last four quarters (Q1 and 2 2022/23 and Q3 and 4 2021/22) we attended all the required meetings – which amounted to 29 meetings in respect of Category 2 offenders who are mainly violent offenders sentenced to 12 months or more imprisonment or a hospital order: and 2 meetings in respect of Category 3 offenders - offenders who do not qualify under Categories 1 or 2 but who currently pose a risk of serious harm.
- 3.9 Prevent and Channel, as local authority statutory functions (Section 36 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act), are included within the local authority’s constitution. A list of Statutory and Appropriate Officers sets out who leads on Prevent (Deputy Chief Executive) and Channel (Director of Social Services) matters: and placed within the Community Safety Member Portfolio. The required Privacy Notice is in place. We complete the annual Home Office Self-Assessment which informs our improvement actions.
- 3.10 During 2021, there were no Prevent referrals originating from Anglesey. Whilst we are an area of low risk, we do not underestimate the need to ensure that our staff are aware of the Prevent Duty and are able to recognise the signs that an individual is, or is at risk, of being radicalised. Mandatory eLearning, and direct training have been delivered. Staff have access to information on Prevent and Chanel on the Safeguarding section of Monitor: including access to sources of advice and the relevant Practice Guidance and Referral Pathway. The North Wales Prevent Group provides a forum for statutory partners to discuss how to raise awareness and confidence across agencies and to ensure that relevant concerns are referred.
- 3.11 Arrangements are in place to meet the statutory requirement to hold Channel panels which are multiagency meetings that focus on providing early support to individuals who have been identified as being at risk of being radicalised. No cases were accepted into Channel within Ynys Mon during the reporting period.
- 3.12 An Angelsey Prevent Action Plan is in place, which documents our response to the statutory duties and the risk levels identified in the Counter Terrorism Local Profile and situational assessment. Delivery will be kept under review and reported to the Gwynedd and Anglesey Community Safety Partnership to ensure it continues to meet new and emerging national and regional requirements in relation to terrorist incidents in the UK, Europe and further afield. Key actions are: -
- 3.12.1 Awareness raising within the organisation to ensure frontline staff, have a good understanding of Prevent, can identify individuals who may be at risk, are aware of available programmes to deal with this issue, and know when to refer on to other agencies.
  - 3.12.2 Embed the No Platform Policy to alert venues to the risk associated of our venues being used by groups/speakers who are known to be radicalising influences.
  - 3.12.3 Engage with voluntary and community sector (VCS) organisations and groups to raise awareness of Prevent.

3.12.4 Lead Authority for the Preventing Radicalisation Fund regional media literacy project aimed at ensuring young people aged 14-21 receive training to build emotional resilience and critical thinking skills, whilst teaching participants how to stay protected against extremist ideologies.

#### 4 Procurement

4.1 Effective practice in Councils includes setting clear and effective standards and robust contract compliance requirements with all external providers of services to the public. When commissioning services, good practice in procurement will see Councils giving careful consideration as to what safeguarding measures are required of contractors or service providers, where contractors are likely to come into contact with children, young people or adults at risk. We have published our Advice Note on Safeguarding and Procurement and Contract Management – which helps services ensure that services delivered by our partners are safe and promote safeguarding, The Services are responsible for their own Procurement and Contract Management arrangements and the decision on how to apply the provisions of the Advice Note lie with each individual service.

#### 5 Learning, Quality Assurance and Ensuring Compliance Improvement

5.1 The Corporate Safeguarding Board must ensure that the services implement the safeguarding policies consistently, as well as aiding those services where required. The services cannot solely rely on external assurance processes. The services conducted an audit of their training arrangements.

5.2 Her Majesty's Inspectorate for Education and Training in Wales undertook an Inspection of the Isle of Anglesey Local Authority Learning Services in June 2022. It concluded that the service espouses a strong culture of safeguarding and sets firm and high expectations across the workforce. The report noted strengths in effective working relationships, in safe employment arrangements and arrangements that ensure that the authority has up-to-date knowledge of safeguarding processes in schools. They noted that the corporate strategy of providing training to improve practitioners' understanding of the impact of trauma and adverse childhood experiences on achievement and wellbeing pupils have a positive impact on the quality of provision. Another strength was the 'Safeguarding Champions' in each catchment area: securing a positive impact on the quality of child protection and safeguarding work.

5.3 Care Inspectorate Wales undertook a Performance Evaluation Review during the year. They concluded that the Local Authority clearly identifies safeguarding as the responsibility of everyone.

5.4 There were no Child Practice Reviews nor Adult Practice Reviews relating to Ynys Môn commissioned by the North Wales Safeguarding Board during the year. The board undertook a Multi-Agency Professional Forum in relation to an Anglesey case, which bridged Adult and Children and Families Services. We have shared the learning with front line staff. The Local Authority's Corporate Safeguarding Board arrangements ensures that cross organisation and cross service learning and actions can be implemented.

5.5 We are currently involved in three Domestic Homicide Reviews. The purpose is to establish what lessons are to be learned, regarding the way in which local professionals and organisations work individually and together, to safeguard victims: to apply these lessons to services, including updating policies and procedures if appropriate and to work towards

preventing future domestic homicides and improving services for all victims and their families through improved internal and external partnership working. These processes are ongoing.

6 The aim going forward

The Corporate Safeguarding Board will build on what has been achieved to ensure an overview of the wider safeguarding agenda and strengthen the arrangements for challenging and holding to account. The areas of priority are included in the Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan and the Prevent Plan

**TERMS OF REFERENCE  
CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING BOARD  
&  
CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING DELIVERY BOARD**

**Approved October 2022**

## TERMS OF REFERENCE - CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING BOARD

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Isle of Anglesey County Council needs to put in place arrangements to ensure that the Council's services carry out their safeguarding duties in accordance with legal requirements, Council Policies and the Wales Safeguarding Procedures in accordance with the Social Services and Well-being Act (Wales) 2014. It is also necessary for all agencies to establish internal arrangements for ensuring that the anti-terrorism agenda, prevention of extremism, slavery issues and issues arising from the Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Act are properly addressed.
- 1.2 The Director of Social Services has specific responsibilities for the safeguarding. Part 8 of the Social Services and Wellbeing Act (Wales) 2014 highlights the need for the Director to have an overview of safeguarding issues and to report regularly to members on safeguarding arrangements for children, young people and adults within the authority.

### 2. TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING BOARD

- 2.1. The Corporate Safeguarding Board will operate at a strategic level to provide assurance to Members and the Statutory Director of Social Services, as the senior officer within the Council who is ultimately accountable for safeguarding children and adults at risk, that appropriate arrangements and procedures are in place at a corporate level to ensure the safeguarding of children, young people and adults meets statutory requirements.
- 2.2 The Corporate Safeguarding Board will be conveyed as part of the Penaethiaid on a specific cycle. The reporting will therefore be high level and limited to exceptions and key decisions that require the commitment of all services.
- 2.3 The Corporate Safeguarding Board will be responsible for: -

2.3.1	Approving the Corporate Safeguarding Policy and annual corporate safeguarding action plan.
2.3.2	Receiving progress reports against the Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan every six months: with any matters that require corrective action at a strategic level reported on a quarterly basis.
2.3.3	Ensuring that that effective corporate procedures and procedures are in place in the services to ensure that the Council effectively implements its safeguarding duties e.g. directing self-assurance activity: service reviews. This includes Identifying any gaps in corporate policies and guidelines and ensure they are addressed, working appropriately with the Regional Safeguarding Children Board (RSCB) and the Regional Safeguarding Adult Board (RSAB)
2.3.4	Ensure that every Service has a performance management system in place to show that they are undertaking their functions in a manner that safeguards children and adult.

2.3.5	Ensuring that action is taken with regard to lessons learnt, at a corporate level, from children and adult practice reviews and from other significant reviews (internal and external).
2.3.6	Ensure a corporate approach with communication and cooperation within the organisation;
2.3.7	Supporting the functions and duties of the Statutory Director within the Council including receiving the Statutory Director's Annual Report - The Chief Executive will chair this item
2.3.8	Assure relevant Lead Members that the Council's procedures are robust where matters of safeguarding children and adults are concerned;
2.3.9	Receive and consider key reports on an exception basis: directing where necessary that action plans are put in place

### 3. CHAIR

- 3.1. The Director of Social Services will chair the Penaethiaid meeting when it sits as the Corporate Safeguarding Board

### 4. FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

- 4.1 Meetings will take place in the Penaethiaid at least every 12 weeks

### 5. GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

- 5.1 The Corporate Safeguarding Board is accountable to the Executive
- 5.2 A report is presented annually to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee and the Regional Safeguarding Boards through the Director of Social Services
- 5.3 The Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board will be accountable to the Corporate Safeguarding Board.

### 6. MEMBERSHIP

Title
Chief Executive
Deputy Chief Executive
Director of Social Services/ Head of Children's Services (Chair)
Director of Education, Skills and Young People
Head of Adult Services

Director of Function (Council Business)/Monitoring Officer
Head of Housing Services
Head of Regulation and Economic Development
Head of Transformation and Profession - Human Resources
Head of Highways, Waste and Property Services
Head of Function (Resources) & S151 Officer

**Isle of Anglesey County Council**  
**Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board**  
**Terms of Reference**

**1. Purpose:**

The Corporate Safeguarding Board is responsible for setting the direction and receiving high level reports.

The Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board is responsible for achieving that direction. This will include decision making authority on actions to ensure progress against the Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan (including Prevent and Slavery) and report on progress to the Corporate Safeguarding Board.

The Council will discharge its strategic statutory safeguarding responsibilities through Designated Safeguarding Officers in each Council service. They represent their service at the Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board and act as a conduit for the dissemination of safeguarding information from the Corporate Safeguarding Strategic Delivery Board. They must have sufficient authority to commit to decision making on behalf of their service within the delegation of the Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board.

**2. Responsibility:**

2.1	Promulgation of key safeguarding requirements in relation to children and adults at risk across all Council services.
2.2	Report on each service's progress in meeting their key safeguarding actions/targets. Receive reports from each service on their safeguarding arrangements and promote good practice within all services in relation to safeguarding issues
2.3	Establish, co-ordinate and ensure implementation / progress on actions identified in the Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan.

2.4	Promote effective cross organisation safeguarding practice particularly in terms of information sharing and data collection, front-line operational awareness.
2.5	Identify any areas requiring development / improvement work in relation to safeguarding on a corporate level and proposing work programmes to respond to these including areas where there is a need to work with the Regional Safeguarding Boards
2.6	Develop action plans to respond to recommendations arising from internal (and external) reviews with regard to safeguarding in order to improve and strengthen safeguarding arrangements across all services.
2.7	Raise awareness of all Council staff and all elected members of their responsibilities in relation to safeguarding and of key issues / developments with regard to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults who are at risk.
2.8	Support the delivery of relevant and effective safeguarding training in line with the relevant frameworks.
2.9	Provide an Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report, setting out the performance of all services in relation to the action plan/requirements.

### Membership:

<b>Designated Corporate Safeguarding Officers</b>	
Adult Services	Rachel Williams
Children's Services	Llŷr ap Rhisiart
Council's Democratic and Business Services	Rhys Hughes
Economic Development and Regulatory Services	Nonn G Hughes
Education and Lifelong Learning	Gwyneth Môn Hughes

Finance	Sioned Rowlands
Highways, Waste and Property	Gwyndaf Parry
Housing	Arwel Jones Llinos Williams
Transformation and Human Resources including Training and Workforce Development	Miriam Williams /Caroline Williams /Non Meleri Hughes
<b>Specialist Safeguarding Support</b>	
Service Manager Quality and Improvement	Anwen Huws
Adults at Risk Manager	Ann Postle
Lisa Capper Lead Independent Safeguarding Officer for Child Protection and chair of the Channel Panel	Lisa Capper
Community Safety Delivery Manager	Daron Owens
Community Cohesion Co-ordinator	Tony Jones

Others with relevant expertise/contribution will be co-opted as required.

**Accountability:**

The Designated Safeguarding Officers are accountable to their Heads of Service regarding the safeguarding arrangements that exist within their service.

The Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board is accountable to the Corporate Safeguarding Board

The role of members will be to scrutinise the impact of the work of the Corporate Safeguarding Boards and therefore they will not sit as members of these boards.

**Frequency of Meetings:**

Every 6 week – with at least one immediately before the Corporate Safeguarding Board

**Task Groups:**

Establish specific task to focus on specific policy areas and procedures.

**Chairing and Administration**

The Chair will be appointed from the Designated Officers on a 3 year tenure.

Business management [i.e. drawing up a schedule of meetings, 'secretariat', through Social Services

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1	Ymddiheuriadau	Apologies
2	Cofnodion o'r cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd .. a. Cywirdeb b. Materion yn codi	Minutes from meeting held on .... a. Accuracy b. Matters arising
3.	Penderfyniadau'r Bwrdd Diogelu Corfforaethol	Decisions from the Corporate Safeguarding Board
4	Crynodeb gan bob gwasanaeth o'r hyn sydd wedi ei gyflawni yn erbyn y cynllun gweithredu	Summary by each service of what they have achieved against the Action Plan
5	Diweddarau'r Cynllun Gweithredu Diogelu Corfforaethol	Update the Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan
6	Materion Llywodraethu a Sicrhau Ansawdd	Governance and Assurance Matters
7	Materion Hyfforddiant	Training Matters
8	Derbyn adroddiadau:-	Any reports to be tabled:-
9	Materion Penodol:-	Specific Matters:-
10	Unrhyw Fater Arall	Any Other Business
11	Negeseuon i'w cyfathrebu	Message to be communicated
12	Cyfarfod nesaf	Next Meeting

Appendix 2

Term/ Board	Purpose/Explanation	Regional/Sub Regional/Local
Contest Strategy	<p>This is the UK government’s overall counterterrorism strategy which is organised around four workstreams, each comprising a number of key objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pursue: to stop terrorist attacks.</li> <li>▪ Prevent: to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.</li> <li>▪ Protect: to strengthen our protection against a terrorist attack; and</li> <li>▪ Prepare: to mitigate the impact of a terrorist attack.</li> </ul>	
Prevent duty.	<p>The Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 (s26) contains a duty on specified authorities which includes the Local Authority to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. This is part of the overall Contest Strategy. In complying with the duty the local authority, should</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ establish or use existing mechanisms for understanding the risk of radicalisation</li> <li>▪ ensure staff understand the risk and build the capabilities to deal with it</li> <li>▪ communicate and promote the importance of the duty; and</li> <li>▪ ensure staff implement the duty effectively.</li> </ul> <p>Expectations on the Local authority include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Working in partnership to agree risk and co-ordinate Prevent activity.</li> <li>▪ Using the existing counter-terrorism local profiles (CTLPs), produced for every region by the police, to assess the risk of individuals being drawn into terrorism.</li> <li>▪ Develop a Prevent action plan to enable the local authority to comply with the duty and address whatever risks have been</li> <li>▪ Increase awareness of staff of the duty including our Contractors</li> <li>▪ Ensure that publicly-owned venues and resources do not provide a platform for extremists and are not used to disseminate extremist views.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ensure that the principles of the duty are written into our contracts in a suitable form.</li> </ul> <p>The Home Office does scrutinise local Prevent action plans as does the Angelsey and Gwynedd Community Safety Partnership</p>	
Part 5	<p>Part of the Wales safeguarding Procedures. They are used when there is an allegation that a person who works with children or adults at risk has: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Behaved in a way that has harmed or may have harmed a child or adult at risk.</li> <li>• May have committed a criminal offence against a child or adult at risk or that has a direct impact on the child or adult at risk</li> <li>• Behaved towards a child, children or adults at risk in a way that indicates they are unsuitable to work with either/ or children and adults</li> </ul>	
Domestic Homicide Review (DHR)	<p>A Domestic Homicide Review (DHR) is a multi-agency review of the circumstances in which the death of a person aged 16 or over has, or appears to have, resulted from violence, abuse or neglect by a person to whom they were related or with whom they were, or have been in an intimate personal relationship, or a member of the same household as themselves.</p>	
Corporate Safeguarding Board	<p>Operates at a strategic level to provide assurance to Members and the Statutory Director of Social Services, as the senior officer within the Council who is ultimately accountable for safeguarding children and adults at risk, that appropriate arrangements and procedures are in place at a corporate level to ensure the safeguarding of children, young people and adults meets statutory requirements.</p>	Local Authority
Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board	<p>The Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board is responsible for achieving the strategic direction set by the Corporate Safeguarding Board</p>	Local Authority
Safeguarding Children Boards established under section 134(4) of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 ("the Act") and Safeguarding Adults	<p>A multi-agency forum which brings together representatives of each of the main agencies and professionals who are responsible for helping to prevent and protect Children and Adults from abuse and neglect: with the objectives to promote, inform and support multi-agency</p>	North Wales Multi Agency

Boards established under section 134(5) of the Act.	<p>safeguarding for Children and Adults across North Wales</p> <p>The regional purpose is to co-ordinate the strategic direction, collaboration, consistency and improvement of practice across the region. making sure that arrangements work effectively in bringing about better outcomes for Children and Adults.</p>	
Contest Board	<p>The strategic lead in addressing the regional threat, risks and vulnerabilities in relation to counterterrorism across the Contest strategy. The board looks across the Contest strategy,</p>	<p>North Wales</p> <p>Multi Agency</p>
Prevent Board	<p>The Prevent Board works to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provide a consistent and coordinated response to the ideological challenge of terrorism and the threat posed by those who promote it.</li> <li>▪ Provide leadership and direction across the area on Prevent issues including the development and publication of a regional action plan.</li> </ul>	<p>North Wales</p> <p>Multi Agency</p>
Gwynedd and Anglesey Community Safeguarding Partnership	<p>The Community Safety Partnership is a group of organisations working together to look at how best we can tackle crime and disorder across both counties. The requirement to have such a partnership in place on a local level is enshrined in law, within the Crime and Disorder Act of 1998. This includes responsibility for overseeing Prevent programmes within the partnership's services.</p>	<p>Gwynedd and Anglesey</p> <p>Multi Agency</p>
Vulnerability and Exploitation Board	<p>The purpose of the Vulnerability and Exploitation Board in is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Provide leadership, governance and strategic direction to meet nationally and regionally driven priorities relating to vulnerability and exploitation including Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence; Criminal Exploitation and Modern Slavery.</li> <li>▪ Ensure the effective delivery of national, regional and local priorities for protecting and preventing vulnerability and exploitation.</li> </ul>	<p>North Wales</p>



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**Action Plan 2022 – 2024**

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## Introduction

The Corporate Safeguarding Action Plan builds upon the achievements of its predecessor and embeds the wider agendas. This plan focuses on whole authority action. Individual actions that can be contained at individual service level are not included in this action plan: as they will be reflected in the Services' Delivery Plans for the year: and will monitored thus. This plan focuses on cross services matters: and key areas where the Corporate Safeguarding Board should maintain an overview. In addition to the Safeguarding Duties included in the Social Services and Wellbeing Act 2014 there is reference to wider safeguarding matters. A brief summary of those areas can be found at the rear of this plan.

## Structure of the Action Plan

The action plan will be presented against 6 themes: assisting a coordinated approach to delivery of the actions across the Local Authority.

Theme	Objective Number	Outcome
Corporate Leadership and governance	Objective 1	High-level support, policies and reporting procedures within the Organisation
Communication and Awareness: Training and Staff Skills	Objective 2	A workforce equipped to discharge their safeguarding duties effectively –through safeguarding awareness and training at a level commensurate with their roles and responsibilities
Safe Workforce	Objective 3	A workforce recruited and managed in full compliance with statutory requirements and with the Isle of Anglesey County Council's Recruitment and Selection Policy, DBS Policy and Safer Recruitment Policy.

Effective Support and Interventions	Objective 4	Relevant Processes, Procedures and Systems in place that reflect current legislation, statutory guidance and expectations and accepted best practice so that officers are clear what must or may be done in specified circumstances and define the limits of professional discretion
Partners, volunteers and commissioned services	Objective 5	<p>Procurement Strategy and Contract Management Strategy aligns with the Welsh Government's Code on Ethical Employment in Supply Chains</p> <p>Ensuring safe practices in commissioned services and that all providers exercise their safeguarding responsibilities effectively.</p>

**RAYG Status Indicators referring to progress of Programmes/Projects**

	<b>RED</b>	<p><b>Overdue</b></p> <p>Delays against actions/objectives or critical success factors of more than four weeks</p> <p>Significant issues/risks that may prevent the project from being completed on time or within budget.</p>
	<b>AMBER</b>	<p><b>Behind Schedule</b></p> <p>Delays against actions/objectives or critical success factors of more than two weeks</p> <p>Decisions required by SRO/Director and/or Board</p>

	<b>YELLOW</b>	<b>On Track</b> Project is on track and expected to be completed on time
	<b>GREEN</b>	<b>Completed</b> Completed action/task/project
	<b>BLUE</b>	<b>NOT STARTED</b>

Corporate Leadership and governance					
Objective 1 - High-level support, policies and reporting procedures within the Organisation					
	Key Task	Who	By When	Progress	RAYG
1.1	Channel, as a local authority statutory function (Section 36 of the CTSA), is included within the local authority's constitution.	Deputy Chief Executive/ Director of Social Services/ Monitoring Officer (Head of Council Business)	31 December 2022		
1.2	Channel (as part of Prevent reporting) is included within the local authority's governance arrangements:  Director of Social Services report regularly to members on safeguarding arrangements within the authority and how these arrangements work, and what needs to be improved	Director of Social Services	31 December 2022		

1.3	<p>Strengthen annual self-evaluation for services and reporting to operational and strategic boards-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Role of the Director of Social Services within Service Challenge process.</li> </ul>	Programme, Business Planning & Performance Manager	31 March 2023		
1.4	Each Service to report to the Operational Board on progress in implementing this action plan and the Corporate Safeguarding Policy	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board members	Ongoing	Not all services report but this is gaining momentum. To date Housing: Learning Services: Economic and Regulation: Highways, Property and Waste reported.	
	Adopt the required Information sharing protocols developed by the regional boards – Contest Board and V & E Board			Requires direction whether these remain required.	
1.5	<p>The Services carry out dip sample/ assurance activity to ensure that services are consistently implementing safeguarding policies and practices:-</p> <p>Suggested areas:-</p> <p>Ask and Act Training</p>	Director of Social Services	31 March 2023	Currently considering which area to focus on this time.	

	Risk Assessments – Safe workforce				
<b>2</b>	<b>Communication and Awareness</b> <b>A workforce equipped to discharge their safeguarding duties effectively –through safeguarding awareness and training at a level commensurate with their roles and responsibilities</b>				
	<b>Key Task</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>By When</b>	<b>Progress</b>	
2.1	Ensure that all staff complete the policy acceptance of the revised Corporate Safeguarding Policy	Directors and Heads of Service	31 December 2022	<div style="background-color: #92d050; padding: 2px;">85% - 100%</div> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 2px;">65% - 84%</div> <div style="background-color: #ff0000; padding: 2px;">0 – 64%</div>	94% @ 10.10.22
2.2	Ensure that all staff complete Basic Awareness – Modern Slavery	Directors and Heads of Service	31 December 2022	<div style="background-color: #92d050; padding: 2px;">85% - 100%</div> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 2px;">65% - 84%</div> <div style="background-color: #ff0000; padding: 2px;">0 – 64%</div>	73% @ November 2022
2.3	Ensure that all staff complete Basic Awareness – Prevent	Directors and Heads of Service	31 December 2022	<div style="background-color: #92d050; padding: 2px;">85% - 100%</div> <div style="background-color: #ffff00; padding: 2px;">65% - 84%</div> <div style="background-color: #ff0000; padding: 2px;">0 – 64%</div>	66% @ November 2022
2.4	Coordinate a programme of activities for National Safeguarding Week.	Independent Safeguarding and Reviewing Officer Lisa Capper – and task and finish group.	31 December 2022		

2.5	Complete and Launch the Corporate Safeguarding section of Monitor.	Task Group established	31 December 2022		
2.6	Review the external facing information on Safeguarding on the Local Authority's web site	Task Group	30 September 2023		
2.7	Complete the review of and implement the Corporate Safeguarding Training Framework	Directors and Heads of Service	31 March 2023		
	<b>VAWDASV &amp; National Training Framework</b>				
2.8	Senior leaders of the Local Authority – Members and Senior Officers – complete the Level 6 of the National Training Framework Ask and Act – via a series of video clip.	Senior Leadership Team Heads of Service Members	30 September 2022	Newly appointed Senior Officers and Members to complete	
2.9	Ensure that all staff complete the Level 1 National Training Framework  VAWDASV via ELearning or the booklets – including those staff new to the authority	Directors and Heads of Service	31 March 2023	80%	
2.10	Roll out Level 2 Ask and Act  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Services will have to identify those who are in a position to ask and act</li> </ul>	Directors and Heads of Service with the support of the Workforce Development Unit	31 March 2023	Group 2 being rolled out  In Learning Services 198 people have attended over	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Establish a plan for roll out of Level 2 across services in priority groups to inform regional plan</li> </ul>			<p>11 sessions.</p> <p>Other council employees – 444 over 20 sessions</p>	
<p><b>3 Safe Workforce</b></p> <p><b>Objective 3 - A workforce recruited and managed in full compliance with statutory requirements and with the Isle of Anglesey County Council’s Recruitment and Selection Policy, DBS Policy and Safer Recruitment Policy.</b></p>					
	<b>Key Task</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>By When</b>	<b>Progress</b>	
3.1	<p>Heads of Service must ensure robust arrangements to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain a central record of posts that require a DBS check: including sufficient check and control to provide a trigger in the case of non-compliance.</li> <li>Obtaining and checking of references in relation to regulated activity posts</li> <li>Take up of safeguarding training</li> <li>Whether formal risk assessments are completed and measures in place before an employee starts work in exceptional circumstances where a DBS disclosure is not to hand</li> <li>Whether formal risk assessments and measures are in place when safeguarding concerns are</li> </ul>	Directors and Heads of Service	31 March 2023	Service representatives on the Operational Board have not reported concerns around the implementation of this action within their service	

	suspected or known in relation to existing employees				
3.2	Support for staff working in child and adult safeguarding following a critical event  Mapping out relevant arrangements in each service against the requirements in the guidance, and identifying any actions required.	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board to set up a task and finish group	31 March 2023		
<p><b>Effective Support and Interventions</b></p> <p><b>Objective 4 - Relevant Processes, Procedures and Systems in place that reflect current legislation, statutory guidance and expectations and accepted best practice so that officers are clear what must or may be done in specified circumstances and define the limits of professional discretion</b></p>					
	<b>Key Task</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>By When</b>	<b>Progress</b>	
4.1	Maintaining Professional knowledge  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Remind Practitioners - resources available on the NWSCB website</li> <li>- Staff should sign up for the weekly newsletter from the NWSB</li> <li>- Wales Safeguarding App downloaded on PCs/laptop</li> </ul> <i>MAPF Wrexham</i>	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board to remind their services of the need to comply	31 September 2022	Dolen Message sent out week commencing 13 10 22  Operational board members asked to promote within their service	

4.2	<p>Raise awareness and understanding of the Multi-Agency Protocol – Working with Families Who Display</p> <p>Disguised Compliance - NWSCB</p> <p><b>During Safeguarding Week</b></p> <p><i>MAPF Wrexham</i></p>	<p>Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board</p> <p><b>Children and Families Service: Adults Services</b></p> <p><b>:Housing Services:</b></p> <p><b>Learning Service</b></p>	31 December 2022	<p>Staff signposted to NWSB offer for safeguarding week. May need to consider local awareness raising event also.</p>	
4.3	<p>Raise awareness of the NWSCB Safeguarding Disabled Children Policy</p> <p><b>During Safeguarding Week</b></p> <p><i>MAPF Wrexham</i></p>	<p>Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board</p>	31 December 2022	<p>Not part of the NWSB offer for this year – will need to consider local awareness raising event.</p>	
4.4	<p>Hoarding</p> <p>Promote the awareness of the NWSCB Hoarding Protocol.</p> <p><b>During Safeguarding Week</b></p> <p><i>MAPF Wrexham</i></p>	<p>Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board</p>	31 December 2022	<p>A session with Michael Preston Shoot – who is an authority in this area – is being arranged for IOACC</p>	
4.5	<p>Raise awareness of the North Wales Safeguarding Board’s, Supporting Children, Supporting Parents; A North Wales Multi Agency protocol – Parents with</p>	<p>Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board</p>	31 December 2022	<p>Staff signposted to NWSB offer for safeguarding week. Sessions are full – may need to consider local offer also</p>	

	<p>severe mental health problems and/or substance misuse.</p> <p><b>During Safeguarding Week</b></p> <p><i>MAPF Wrexham</i></p>				
4.6	<p><b>Learning Service</b></p> <p>Protocol for managing attendance plans and the handover process to ensure a seamless transition of responsibility between the school and the EW service</p> <p>Protocol for recording absences</p> <p>EW should monitor children absent from school and those recorded as present but with approved educational activity</p> <p>Home tutors should receive supervision and attend safeguarding training</p> <p><i>MAPF Wrexham</i></p>	<p>Director of Education</p>	<p>31 March 2023</p>	<p>Each catchment area has a named EWO who supports schools to identify and support pupils with attendance issues. Strong partnership working is robust and in line with attendance policy which is reviewed at least every two years</p> <p>The recording absence protocol is included in the attendance policy</p> <p>Home Tutors have access to safeguarding training in line with other inclusion staff</p>	
4.7	<p>Raise awareness through training of the referral pathways and a good practice guidance to raise awareness regarding modern</p>	<p>Practice Improvement Officer</p> <p>Social Services</p>	<p>31 March 2023</p>	<p>Regional pathway agreed November 2022. Training to follow</p>	

	slavery and the duty to refer through to the NRM where there is concern of trafficking for the purpose of exploitation.				
4.8	Corporate Restraint Policy requires review	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board to set up Task and Finish Group	30 June 2023		
4.9	<p>Good Practice Guidelines for the non-specialist Public Services in Wales on working with adults that commit offences against women and perpetrators of domestic violence and sexual violence. – Each</p> <p>Service to consider the obligations of the Guidelines for them. Whilst some matters are specific to some services, others are relevant to the whole organisation – Health and Safety Issues; Workforce Domestic Abuse Policy issues; Training and raising awareness.</p>	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board	31 December 2023		

**Partners, volunteers and commissioned services**

**Objective 5 Ensuring safe and ethical practices in procurement and contract management in commissioned services so that safeguarding requirements are met.**

	Key Task	Who	By When	Progress	
5.1	Produce an annual written statement to ensure that slavery and human trafficking are not taking place in the organisation and supply chain,	Deputy Chief Executive	30 September 2023		
5.2	Provide training on the Code of Practice to relevant officers to improve their knowledge and practice in terms of ensuring that we are not employing, or using contractors who are not acting lawfully	Corporate Safeguarding Delivery Board	31 December 2022	Training being sourced  This action may not be delivered by the milestone in the previous column. Aim to deliver in q3 and q4	
5.3	Following adoption of the Safeguarding Standards for Procurement and Contract Management all Services to put in place a programme for the review of existing contracts to ensure that they meet the standards/requirements identified, including how they propose to monitor compliance by the providers with the requirements	Directors and Heads of Service	31 March 2023	Service representatives on the Operational Board have discussed the challenge in this action as the contract management arrangements and resources within each service area is varied.	

**CONTEXT**

<p>Prevent Duty</p>	<p>Legal duties under the <b>Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015</b>. We aim to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Prevent people from being drawn into terrorism', whilst exercising our various functions.</li> <li>▪ Identify and support vulnerable people as part of our broader safeguarding responsibilities.</li> <li>▪ Have appropriate policies and procedures in place.</li> <li>▪ Ensure that staff are well-informed about what they are required to do in the event that they should encounter or become aware of a people being drawn into or planning a terrorist act</li> <li>▪ Maintaining full and proper records of action taken are maintained that will withstand scrutiny.</li> </ul> <p>The North Wales Contest Board has in place a Regional Action Plan: and the action contained in this plan supports the Local Authority to meet the relevant requirements of the Regional Plan.</p> <p>The Deputy Chief Executive does receive and review the Counter Terrorism Local Profile and will inform the SLT of any new/increased risk of radicalisation or extremism so that the corporate risk register can be updated</p>
<p>Modern Slavery</p>	<p>Legal Duties under the <b>Modern Slavery Act 2015</b>. We aim to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Publish an Annual Statement, that slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in the organisation or in our supply chain</li> <li>▪ Appoint an Anti- slavery and Ethical Employment Champion,</li> <li>▪ Identify and support vulnerable people as part of our broader safeguarding responsibilities.</li> <li>▪ Notify the Home Office of Potential Victims of Modern Slavery.</li> <li>▪ Refer potential victims as a first responder to a competent authority, (the Modern Slavery Human Trafficking Unit – MSHTU), via the National Referral Mechanism, (NRM</li> <li>▪ Refer any potential child victims of trafficking to the Independent Child Trafficking Advocates, (ICTAs).</li> <li>▪ Have appropriate policies and procedures in place.</li> <li>▪ Ensure that staff are well-informed about what they are required to do in the event that they should encounter or become aware of a people being drawn into or planning a terrorist act</li> <li>▪ Maintaining full and proper records of action taken are maintained that will withstand scrutiny.</li> </ul> <p>In undertaking these duties, we will also be mindful of the links to the County Lines (organised drug gangs) agenda, which requires joint working to tackle the issues related to County Lines activity, such as Human trafficking, CSE, criminality, violent</p>

	<p>crime, drug crime, financial crime, exploitation of vulnerable adults. As this agenda develops, additional duties can be mainstreamed into these safeguarding standards/activity</p> <p>The North Wales Vulnerability and Exploitation Board has in place a Regional Action Plan: and the action contained in this plan supports the Local Authority to meet the relevant requirements of the Regional Plan.</p> <p>Deputy Chief Executive is the Anti-Slavery and Ethical Employment Champion</p>
<p>Child sexual exploitation (CSE)</p>	<p>We aim to: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Protect children and adults in our area who may be experiencing, or at risk of abuse, neglect and other kinds of harm and; -</li> <li>▪ Prevent children and adults in our area from becoming at risk of abuse, neglect and other kinds of harm.</li> <li>▪ Ensure safeguarding practice, strategic planning and commissioning of services across all partner agencies continuously improves and promotes good outcomes for children and adults who may be at risk in the local area.</li> <li>▪ Robustly safeguard children and young people through a multi-agency approach with partners and communities.</li> </ul> <p>This Action Plan reflects the requirements of the North Wales CSE Strategy. Isle of Anglesey County Council is committed to playing a full part within the North Wales CSE Executive Group, and supporting regional and national working groups to cascade and develop models of best practice in respect of tackling CSE.</p> <p>In undertaking these duties, we will also be mindful of the links to the County Lines (organised drug gangs) agenda, which requires joint working to tackle the issues related to County Lines activity, such as Human trafficking, CSE, criminality, violent crime, drug crime, financial crime, exploitation of vulnerable adults. As this agenda develops, additional duties can be mainstreamed into these safeguarding standards/activity</p>
<p>Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and</p>	<p>Legal Duties - <b>Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ask and Act - National targeted enquiry across Public Authorities in Wales for violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence. Organisational duty to encourage relevant professionals to “Ask” potential victims in certain circumstances (targeted enquiry); and to “Act” so that harm as a result of the violence and abuse is reduced</li> <li>▪ Delivery of the National Training Framework for Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence</li> </ul>

<p>Sexual Violence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Involves communications, training, policy development, info sharing, referral pathways to specialist services, data collection &amp; review</li> </ul> <p>The North Wales Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Board is the regional partnership board: providing a partnership approach to preventing serious harm caused by violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence in the North Wales. They lead and support the implementation of the act; develop, approve and monitor the regional strategy; ensure that matters are effectively and strategically addressed in North Wales.</p> <p>This Action Plan reflects the regional strategic priorities in terms of awareness and delivery of the National Training Framework</p> <p>Statutory Director of Social Services is the Lead role for Ask and Act</p>
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**Everybody’s Responsibility**

Directors and Heads of Service will include in their Service Delivery Plans, Safeguarding targets for the year and report on progress within corporate performance reviews.

**Communication within the Organisation**

Representatives at the various Regional Boards referred to above and others must ensure that they advise the Corporate Safeguarding Board (strategic) of key matters discussed on a regional basis: that require a local response on a corporate basis. Key officers to provide when required by the chair of the Corporate Safeguarding Board (strategic), updates on delivery, key risk issues for children and adults at risk, including collation and monitoring of the number, nature and outcome of referrals

The Deputy Chief Executive and the Director of Social Services will ensure that Council Members and senior leaders, other members of the SLT and Penaethiad are provided with regular briefings to make them aware of their responsibilities in terms of safeguarding

Where necessary safeguarding information/ bulletins/ articles for staff in relevant internal staff communication will be provided. This will be the responsibility of the Corporate Safeguarding Board (Operational),

## **Training**

All Directors and Heads of Service must ensure that all staff attend Basic, General or Specialist Safeguarding training at the level relevant to their role. Other specific training requirements are identified in this action plan. Some services will have specific training needs related to the roles they hold. This is not reflected in this plan – as the focus currently is on corporate awareness raising: and compliance where mandatory whole organisation learning/training is directed.

<b>ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL <u>Scrutiny Report Template</u></b>	
<b>Committee:</b>	<b>Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>17 January, 2023.</b>
<b>Subject:</b>	Draft Well-being Plan 2023-28 Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Board.
<b>Purpose of the Report:</b>	<b>To provide an opportunity for Members of the Scrutiny Committee to scrutinise the content of the Gwynedd and Anglesey Draft Well-being Plan</b>
<b>Scrutiny Chair:</b>	<b>Cllr Dylan Rees</b>
<b>Portfolio Member(s):</b>	<b>Cllr Llinos Medi</b>
<b>Head of Service:</b>	<b>Dylan Williams, Chief Executive</b>
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### **1 - Recommendation(s)**

The Scrutiny Committee, as a statutory consultee, is asked to note and offer observations on the draft Well-being Plan which is to be published in May 2023.

### **2 - Link to the Council's Plan / Other Corporate Priorities**

Isle of Anglesey County Council is committed to the principles within the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The Council provides a range of services which will fulfil its individual well-being objectives, as well as contributing to supporting the well-being objectives of the Public Services Board.

### **3 - Principles as a Guide for Scrutiny**

**To assist Members when scrutinising the subject:-**

- 3.1** The impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on the customer/citizen]
- 3.2** Look at the efficiency and effectiveness of any proposed change - financially and in terms of quality [focus on value]
- 3.3** Look at any risks [focus on risks]
- 3.4** Scrutiny taking on a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance and quality]
- 3.5** Look at plans and proposals in terms of:
  - The long-term
  - Prevention
  - Integration
  - Collaboration
  - Content

[focus on wellbeing]

**3.6** Potential impact of this decision on:

- the groups protected under the Equality Act 2010
- those who experience socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (when making strategic decisions)
- opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and not treat the Welsh language less favourably than English

[focus on equality and the Welsh language]

**4 - Key Scrutiny Questions**

1. *Do you believe that the well-being objectives and the priorities identified to realise the objectives will improve the social, environmental, cultural and economic well-being of both counties?*
2. *Are there any priorities missing - especially given the findings of the Well-being Assessments at the beginning of the year?*
3. *Where could the Board collaborate and influence in order to make a difference?*
4. *In what way could communities assist to deliver the plan's priorities and to develop them further in the future?*

**5 - Background / Context****5.1 INTRODUCTION AND CONTEXT:**

**5.1.1** The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 places a duty on Public Services Boards to publish a Well-being Plan which outlines how it is intended to improve the well-being of the area's residents.

**5.1.2** As you will know, the Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board includes representation at the highest level from the main public bodies in the area.

**5.1.3** The first stage of the work of creating the Well-being Plan was to undertake an assessment of local well-being and carry out research to understand and learn more about those areas.

**5.1.4** In May 2022, Assessments of Local Well-being for the Gwynedd and Anglesey areas were published with both counties split into 14 smaller areas (8 in Gwynedd and 6 in Anglesey).

**5.1.4** The Assessments brought together a range of information about the communities of Gwynedd and Anglesey. We have examined the latest research, gathered data and engaged with our community groups to ascertain what is good about our communities, and which aspects are not so positive.

**5.1.5** The Well-being Assessments were an opportunity to consider the challenges and opportunities our communities are facing; especially the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, Brexit and the cost of living crisis.

**5.1.6** The Board considered the aforementioned information when creating the Draft Well-being Plan for Gwynedd and Anglesey. A copy of this document can be found in Appendix 1.

## 5.2 DRAFT WELL-BEING PLAN:

**5.2.1** The plan outlines how the Board intends to make a real difference to the lives of residents by working together to deliver results for the entire area.

**5.2.2** Members of the Public Services Board are eager to make a meaningful contribution to the partnership landscape without duplicating the work of other partnerships and therefore the Well-being Plan draft seeks to clearly highlight whether the Public Services Board has a role in leading or delivering the well-being priorities.

**5.2.3** The **Well-being Objectives** were drawn up after analysing the main messages that emerged from the Well-being Assessment conducted during 2021/22.

**5.2.4** The PSB has identified three Well-being Objectives:

- **We want to work together to mitigate the impact of poverty on the well-being of our communities**
- **We want to work together to prioritise the well-being and success of our children and young people.**
- **We want to work together to support our communities to shift towards Zero Net Carbon.**

**5.2.5** It is also important to note that the **Welsh language** will be a golden thread that runs throughout the plan. We will promote the use of the language in all fields of work and will work with communities to develop Welsh-medium services and activities.

**5.2.6** For each of these objectives, there are detailed tables providing more information as to why they were chosen and the steps we propose to take to achieve them. As explained above, these will be amended and refined during the consultation period as we receive more information and receive people's opinions.

**5.2.7** The Board believes that these are fields in which we could collaborate better, at a time of significant cutbacks in public sector resources, in order to secure the best results for the residents of Gwynedd and Anglesey.

## 5.3 NEXT STEPS:

**5.3.1** The three-month statutory consultation period will end on 6 March. Following this, the Board will consider the responses to the consultation before creating a final Well-being Plan.

**5.3.2** Once the Board approves the final version, the Well-being Plan will be submitted to the Boards/Full Councils of the statutory members for approval prior to publication in May 2023. The statutory members are Gwynedd and Anglesey Councils, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority and Natural Resources Wales.

**5.3.3** In the case of Isle of Anglesey County Council, it will be submitted to the Full Council (***Date to be confirmed***)

**5.4 SCRUTINY ARRANGEMENTS:**

**5.4.1** The Board's work will be checked regularly by the Scrutiny Committees of Gwynedd Council and the Isle of Anglesey County Council.

**5.4.2** The Well-being Act and the associated national guidelines note three roles for Local Authority Scrutiny Committees when providing democratic accountability for the Public Services Board:

- Reviewing the governance arrangements of the PSB
- Statutory consultees on the Well-being Assessment and the Well-being Plan
- Monitoring progress of the efforts of the PSB in the implementation of the Well-being Plan

**5.4.3** The Scrutiny Committee has a statutory duty to scrutinise the content of the document as part of the process of developing the Plan. However, it is important to note that we as a Council are only one of the partners and the content of the final plan will be the decision of the Public Services Board.

**6 – Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language]****6.1 Potential impact on the groups protected under the Equality Act 2010**

No negative impacts were noted after completing the EIA.

**6.2 Potential impact on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (strategic decisions)**

No negative impacts were noted

**6.3 The potential impact on the opportunities for people to use Welsh and to treat the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language**

The Support Team of the Public Services Board has already considered and recognised the need for impact assessments (e.g. Language and Equality) and assessments will be developed and used when the Board engages with our communities on specific points and to update the Well-being Plan.

**7 - Financial Implications**

None

**8 - Appendices****9 - Background Papers (please contact the Report's author for any further information):**



## CONSULTATION DRAFT

# ANGLESEY AND GWYNEDD WELL-BEING PLAN 2023-2028

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## 1. Welcome

Welcome to the consultation on the draft of the second Well-being Plan for Anglesey and Gwynedd. The Public Services Board, or often called the PSB, have used the information contained in the [Well-being Assessment](#) to look at how to improve well-being across the region. We are interested to know if you think the plans we have will help to make things better for you and your community. We'd also like to know if you have any other ideas about how we can work together for the benefit of our communities.

The plan will change and evolve over the next few weeks as we get more information and an even better understanding of what matters and how we can work together to make Anglesey and Gwynedd a better place to live, work and visit. That's why some of the detail around the proposed objectives and how we'll know if we're making a difference is missing. We will be talking to people and gathering views until the **6<sup>th</sup> March 2023** so there's plenty of time for you to let us know your thoughts. Details of how you can get in touch are at the end of this document.

## 2. Foreword from the Chair of the PSB

**Our vision as a Public Service Board is to work together to ensure that our communities thrive and are prosperous in the long term.** The aim of the Well-being Plan is to set out how we are going to achieve this and make a real difference to the lives of the residents of Anglesey and Gwynedd. As public service providers we will work together to achieve a common ambition for the whole region.

The individual organisations will continue to provide services which will deliver their own well-being objectives as well as contribute to the well-being objectives of the Public Services Board. Engaging with communities is core to the success of the plan and the Board commits to providing clear guidance in order to reach its objectives.

We have strong and proud communities with a tradition of helping each other and working together. The role of these communities will be central to delivering the well-being objectives which have been set out in this plan.

The objectives, and steps to deliver them, once finalised, should be linked and support each other due to their cross-cutting nature. All members of the PSB should be able to play their full part in achieving what we expect from the plan.

Since we started looking at what we could do to improve well-being in Anglesey and Gwynedd, the war in Ukraine and the cost of living crisis have made some people’s lives even harder. As we continue to develop the plan, in consultation with the public and partners, we will look at how we can work together to ensure these issues are included in the final plan.

**Aled Jones-Griffiths**  
**Chair of the Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board**

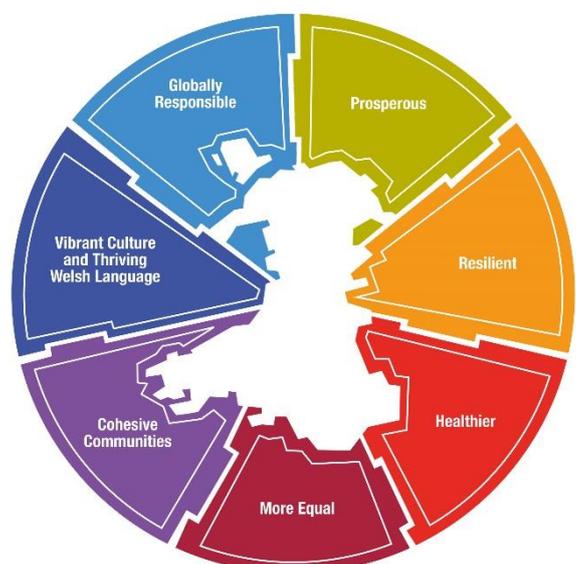
### 3. Background to the Well-being Plan

In 2015, the Welsh Government made a new law in Wales called the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act. This followed conversations with many thousands of people across Wales about the “Wales we want”.

This law puts the citizens of Wales in the centre of everything public services do to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales and has the sustainable development principle at its heart. This means that all public services need to work in a way that improves wellbeing for people today without doing anything that could make things worse for future generations of babies, children, young people, adults and older people, in other words all our families, young and old, and our friends and neighbours.

The Act highlights seven national well-being goals and five ways of working in order to give public bodies a common purpose. It also tries to ensure that we are better at making decisions by placing a duty on organisations to think about the long term, to collaborate and to consider people of all ages when resolving and preventing problems.

Together, the seven well-being goals and the five ways of working have been designed to support public bodies to meet the existing needs of their communities and ensure that the decisions of today do not harm future generations. The seven national well-being goals are:



The Act places a duty on public bodies to work in a sustainable way and to utilise the following five ways of working:

**Prevention**

**Long Term**

**Involvement**

**Integration**

**Collaboration**



In addition to setting expectations that public bodies work this way, the Act has established a Public Services Board for every local authority area in Wales to ensure that public bodies work together to create a better future for the people of Wales. The Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Boards have decided to work together as one Board to ensure that public bodies across the area work together to create a better future for the people of Anglesey and Gwynedd.

The Public Services Board must assess the well-being of our area and create a Well-being Plan with the aim of improving the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of our communities.

#### **The Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Service Board membership:**

The Board's five statutory members are:

- Isle of Anglesey County Council
- Natural Resources Wales
- North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority
- Cyngor Gwynedd
- Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

The invited members of the Board are:

- Public Health Wales
- Grŵp Llandrillo Menai
- Mantell Gwynedd
- Medrwn Môn
- Snowdonia National Park Authority
- Bangor University
- Welsh Government
- North Wales registered social landlords representative
- North Wales Police
- North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
- Wales Probation Service

There is an opportunity to ask other bodies/organisations/ partners to sit on the Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Board as specific objectives and actions are identified.

## **4. The local Well-being Assessments**

In May 2022, an Assessment of Local Well-being was published for Anglesey and Gwynedd. The Public Services Board has divided the two counties into 14 smaller areas and research was undertaken in order to understand and learn more about the well-being of those areas. Eight of these areas are in Gwynedd and six are in Anglesey. The information booklets for each area are available on the website. [www.llesiantgwyneddaron.org](http://www.llesiantgwyneddaron.org)

The assessment was just a starting point – an overview of well-being to accompany the area booklets which gave the Public Services Board a better understanding of Anglesey and Gwynedd. Having considered the data and the views of local people, the Board concluded that the main priorities for residents of Anglesey and Gwynedd from the assessment were as follows:

- Respond to poverty and the cost of living
- Improving the health and well-being of children and young people
- Improve mental health and well-being
- Climate change – support communities to reach net zero
- Promote the use of the Welsh Language
- Enable equal experiences and access to nature
- Future workforce planning that meets the needs of the community and the local economy
- Ensure housing for local people
- Influence the financial priorities of public bodies

Please refer to **Appendix 1** for further details on the key messages from the Well-being Assessments.

## 5. OUR PROPOSED WELL-BEING OBJECTIVES:

Using the evidence in the Well-being Assessment, the PSB has identified **three Well-being Objectives**:

- We want to work together to mitigate the effect of **poverty** on the well-being of our communities
- We want to work together to prioritise the well-being and achievement of **our children and young people**.
- We want to work together to support our communities to move towards **Zero Net Carbon**.

In addition, it is important to note that the **Welsh language** will be a golden thread running through the plan. We will promote the use of the language in all aspects of our work and will work with communities to develop services and activities through the medium of Welsh.

For each of these objectives, the tables below give more information about why they've been chosen, what steps we are considering taking to deliver them and how they contribute to each of the Well-being Goals. As explained earlier, these will be amended and refined during the consultation period as a result of more information and people's views.

### **Well-being Objective 1: We want to work together to mitigate the effect of poverty on the well-being of our communities**

#### **Ambition:**

We will develop a detailed understanding of how poverty affects the area and look to ensure that the work happening across public bodies is more effective in mitigating the long-term effects of poverty. We will work together to gain a detailed understanding of the implications of living in poverty in our different areas. We will continue to develop the Well-being Assessments to get a detailed picture of where the lack of access to services is more challenging due to poverty.

#### **What we could do over the course of the five-year plan:**

- We will prioritise tackling hardship and poverty in response to the cost of living crisis.

- We will act as a voice for those impacted by poverty and hardship in Gwynedd and Anglesey knowing what communities and citizens need and the information that partners hold.
- We will collate and share benefits and resources to mitigate the impact of poverty in a coordinated way in order to ensure that it reaches all those that require support.
- We will stimulate and support community groups to help people remain resilient, for example, supporting healthy lifestyles, or providing help with cost of living pressures.
- We will also start to identify steps to safeguard food and energy in the longer-term and protect our natural resources.
- We will enact socially responsible public procurement, benefitting the local supply chain and promoting a circular economy locally.
- We will work within the context of the Wales Transport Strategy, we will try to support those at a socio-economic disadvantage to access education, employment, services and activities.
- We will commit to developing a fair work mindset, place fair work at the heart of policies and plans, create fair work and be exemplars of fair work in Anglesey and Gwynedd demonstrating the value of such an approach for business and the community and promote access to fair work for all.

**How will we know that we are making progress?**

**Links to the 5 Ways of Working:**

**Links to the 7 Wellbeing Goals:**

## **Well-being Objective 2: We want to work together to prioritise the well-being and achievement of our children and young people**

### **Ambition:**

We will plan preventative services and activities together to support families before the need for intensive intervention arises. We will encourage children, young people and their families to improve their health so that they can live healthily and independently within their communities in the long-term. We will work to ensure that our children and young people have positive experiences during their childhood and give priority to supporting families to ensure that every child gets the best start in life. We will also ensure that there is a clear vision among the partners to ensure the best results for children and young people.

### **What we could do over the course of the five-year plan:**

- We will promote and coordinate the Early Years Strategy.
- We will promote strategies to tackle obesity among children.
- We will support the North Wales Vulnerability and Exploitation Board which works to protect the population of north Wales including specific work to protect young people.
- We will support the National Strategy for Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence.
- We will work with partners to ensure that people of all ages, including those who are vulnerable or in our care, are resilient and prepared for employment, further education, or training. This includes looking at Green Skills for the future.
- We will provide greater opportunities for quality volunteering, work experience and apprenticeships.
- We will tie in adverse childhood experience (ACE) trauma informed training when appropriate.

**How will we know that we are making progress?**

**Links to the 5 Ways of Working:**

**Links to the 7 Wellbeing Goals:**

### **Well-being Objective 3: We want to work together to support our communities to move towards Zero Net Carbon**

#### **Ambition:**

We will work together locally to support our communities to reduce carbon emissions and try to mitigate the impact of climate change. The Board considers that protecting the natural environment is integral to achieving its priorities and will be a common theme that runs across all the well-being objectives.

#### **What we could do over the course of the five-year plan:**

- We will seek to deliver decarbonisation activity within our communities.
- We will support our communities to move towards Zero Net Carbon
- We will use our landscape to store carbon and mitigate the effects of climate change.
- We will promote and action the north Wales Active Travel Charter.
- We will promote green health opportunities through social prescribing.
- We will protect and enhance biodiversity and natural habitats, whilst increasing and encouraging equal access for everyone to our natural environment. This includes access to green countryside spaces, and blue coastal spaces.
- We will maximise the benefits that come with our unique natural assets and grow our sustainable tourism offer.
- We will work with and support communities who want to manage and improve their local environment and empower all, including young people, to improve community spaces.

#### **How will we know that we are making progress?**

#### **Links to the 5 Ways of Working:**

#### **Links to the 7 Wellbeing Goals:**

## **6. How we developed the proposed Well-being Objectives:**

Having considered the main messages highlighted in the Well-being Assessments, a series of workshops were held over the summer of 2022 with the members of the Board. With the support of the Wales Co-production Network, the workshops gave members the opportunity to reflect on the previous Well-being Plan while considering the following questions:

#### **A. Looking back at the Well-being Plan 2017-22:**

- How did we do against the two objectives/nine themes in the previous plan?
- What has changed and influenced the well-being of our communities in the last 5 years?

#### **B. Looking forward to the Well-being Plan 2023-28:**

- Looking at the updated assessments for 2022 what are the key priorities for the PSB?
- Are there priorities where action is already taking place effectively outside the scope of the PSB?
- What can we do to ensure that the PSB adds value together rather than working separately?
- What would ensure that the new Well-being Plan is a success?

As the Board considered the local objectives for the new plan the recommendations of the Future Generations Commissioner were followed including: *'In setting its local objectives a board must also take into account the latest Future Generations Report as prepared by the Commissioner which will provide an assessment of the improvements public bodies should make in order to set and meet well-being objectives in accordance with the sustainable development principle.'*

The Public Services Board decided that the focus should be on those areas where collaboration is needed in order to make a real difference. Having analysed the main messages that emerged in the Well-being Assessment and considered the conclusions of research and other assessments they have prioritised three specific areas in order to realise this vision. In a period of significant reduction in public sector resources, we believe that these are areas where we can work together better to ensure the best results for the residents of Anglesey and Gwynedd.

## **7. What are the next steps?**

There is now an opportunity for you to give your opinion as part of the development of this Well-being Plan. We are eager to receive comments either supporting what is proposed in this document or raising points that we have not yet considered and we will pay attention to these before finalising the new Well-being Plan.

The formal consultation period will end on **06/03/23**. The results will be analysed and considered by the Members of the Public Services Board and after that we will confirm our well-being objectives, the priority areas and the work programme for the next 5 years. It is important to note that the Well-being Plan will be a living document that will change and develop over time.

The final Well-being Plan for Anglesey and Gwynedd will be published in May 2023.

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## **APPENDIX 1 - Main messages from the Well-being Assessment completed in 2022:**

The booklets look at well-being in the context of the four main headings in the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015** - namely Social, Economic, Environmental and Cultural. An additional heading has been added, namely 'Population and Language' as the Board recognises the importance of this specific theme for the area.

### **Population and Language:**

- More over 75s are anticipated in future which means that an ageing population needs to be supported and we must ensure that individuals stay healthy for longer for the benefit of the economy and health and care services.
- Anglesey and Gwynedd are considered strongholds for the Welsh language but there has been a decline in the percentage of speakers over the past decade.
- Our communities are concerned about the impact that migration, tourism, the availability of suitable and affordable housing for young people and families are having on the Welsh language.

### **Environmental:**

- The diverse natural environment of Anglesey and Gwynedd is an important resource. Coastline, lakes and rivers, marshes and forests have a positive impact on social, cultural and economic well-being.
- Climate change is a global challenge that is having an impact on the well-being of our residents. It leads to communities under high flood risk, exceptional weather and landslides and puts our nature and habitats under increasing pressure.
- Protecting nature and biodiversity is important for decarbonisation. In Anglesey and Gwynedd there are diverse habitats and species that store the carbon that contributes to the level of greenhouse gases.
- Agriculture is an important sector in Anglesey and Gwynedd and our farmers need to be supported to develop more sustainable farming to contribute to decarbonisation.
- Maintaining a green future is a priority for the communities of Anglesey and Gwynedd. Residents have highlighted the appetite for eco-friendly areas that maximise our natural resources.

### **Social:**

- There is concern about the level of obesity in 4-5 year olds across the region, with the highest percentage of all North Wales region counties here in our area. Evidence suggests that the percentage is likely to rise as a result of the impact of Covid-19 and lockdown.
- Covid-19 is likely to have a long-term impact on population health. This includes an impact on mental and physical health (for example, Long-covid) and exacerbating a number of existing health inequalities.
- The lack of public transport was highlighted as a huge challenge for rural communities. The frequency of bus services meant that it was difficult for residents to get to facilities and services, and likely to have a worse impact on some groups, for example, disabled people, young people and older people.
- Community spirit is one of the main assets of both counties and this has been highlighted in the willingness of residents to help each other during the Covid-19 period.

- The lack of digital connection is a barrier for the people and businesses in the county. Working and teaching remotely during the Covid-19 period has highlighted the importance of broadband availability.

#### **Economic:**

- Changes in work sectors and work pattern are anticipated into the future. There is a need to ensure accessible opportunities for all in occupations such as science and technology.
- A high percentage of people in Anglesey and Gwynedd work in the skilled trades occupations (which include farmers and agri-workers). Brexit and the reduction in grants and financial support has had an impact on this sector.
- Poverty in all its forms is a concern across both counties. We have one of the highest percentages in Wales of fuel poverty. Response to the draft booklets highlighted concern about poverty, at a time when the cost of living in all its forms is rising.
- Low-wage jobs are a major concern and securing high value jobs is a priority for communities and residents of both counties. As well as its impact on the economy, it also makes it difficult to keep young people in the county, thereby affecting the Welsh language.
- House prices and affordability are a key concern of local communities across both counties and have a negative impact on the social, cultural, linguistic and economic well-being of areas. Another concern highlighted by communities is the second house / holiday homes situation. One indicator is the increase in 'hate crime' reported by the Police.
- Tourism contributes to the economies of Anglesey and Gwynedd and is an important work sector, but also an additional challenge for local services and nature. Covid-19 had a negative impact on the country's accommodation and food sector as a result of the restrictions, which has been more pronounced in tourism-dependent areas.
- There is concern about the state of the local economy of 'the high street' or 'town centre'. This has been highlighted in Bangor, Holyhead and several other towns.
- Compared to the all-Wales figure, a high percentage of year 11 school leavers in our area are NEET (known not to be in education, employment or training).
- Childcare provision is important for the economy of our areas. A lack of sustainable provision is affecting communities in some areas of both counties and there is also concern about the availability of Welsh-medium childcare.

#### **Cultural:**

- The natural environment is a vital resource that contributes to well-being and health as they enable our residents to be active in the open air.
- A lack of activities for children and young people is a concern for the communities of Anglesey and Gwynedd with a perception that this can lead to anti-social behaviour.
- Green spaces are vital to the wellbeing of our residents, but they need to be made available so they can be used by all.
- World Heritage Sites offer an opportunity to build pride in local areas and history (the Slate Landscape and Castles of Edward I), but there is concern of its impact on tourism and the need to deliver benefits to local communities.
- Residents expressed pride that we have a strong, vibrant culture which is reflected in the many societies, eisteddfodau, Young Farmers Clubs, shows and concerts that are held locally.

Link to the website: [www.llesiantgwyneddamon.org](http://www.llesiantgwyneddamon.org)

## Appendix 2: How we'll work in the future?

The Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board operates in line with seven leading principles. Five of these are the national sustainable development principles (**the five ways of working**) and two have been added by the Board locally. These principles will help us to work together, avoid repeating past mistakes and get to grips with some of the challenges we will face in the future.

<b>The Welsh language</b>	<i>The Welsh language will be a golden thread running through the plan. Indeed, it is a theme that cuts across all the Board's work and we will promote the use of the language in all aspects of our work and will work with communities to develop services and activities through the medium of Welsh.</i>
<b>Tackle inequality</b>	<i>We will continue to target local and national resources to tackle inequality and disadvantage in order to close the gap between the most privileged communities and the most deprived communities.</i>
<b>Thinking long term</b>	We will continue to gather data to ensure a better understanding of how communities look now and how they will look in the future as a result of factors such as demographic changes. We will also look at which national and regional changes are on the horizon and try to analyse the effect on our communities. By doing so, we can work together as partners and residents to plan services for the future.
<b>Preventing problems</b>	We will use trends data to identify the problems which will face our communities in the future and will develop and implement plans to prevent them. We will work with communities to enable them to do more to prevent issues from developing, and support programmes that can make a real difference in the long term.
<b>Better collaboration</b>	We will try to remove the barriers which prevent effective collaboration. We will also share information and good practice between Board members and our residents about what is being done to realise objectives and priorities. We will consider the Board's membership regularly and will ensure that the right partners are included in order to achieve our objectives.
<b>Promoting integration</b>	We will work in a way that will contribute to more than one goal where appropriate and in accordance with Welsh Government's national wellbeing objectives. We will try to integrate services if evidence shows that this gets the best results for our communities. We will consider other local and regional strategies and plans that work towards the same or similar goals and work together in order to achieve them.
<b>Involve our communities</b>	Our residents and our communities have an important role to play when planning services for the future and we will ensure that their perspectives and experiences are central to the process of planning the work of the Board. We will adopt the National Participation Standards for all ages and ensure that the Board works within those standards. We will ensure that people can communicate with us in their preferred language and medium.

<b>ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template</b>	
<b>Committee:</b>	Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
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<b>Purpose of Report:</b>	Present the Quarter 2 (April-June) Growth Deal report
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<b>1 - Recommendation/s</b>
The Committee is requested to: R1 Note the progress made during Quarter 2 2022/23

<b>2 – Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities</b>
The North Wales Growth Deal is linked to Council priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ensure that the people of Anglesey can thrive and realise their long term potential – Jobs and work opportunities</li> <li>▪ Work with other North Wales Councils to attract investment to ensure that key projects that offer local employment opportunities go ahead.</li> </ul>

<b>3 – Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members</b>
<b>To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-</b>
<b>3.1</b> Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]
<b>3.2</b> A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change – both financially and in terms of quality [focus on value]
<b>3.3</b> A look at any risks [focus on risk]
<b>3.4</b> Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]
<b>3.5</b> Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long term</li> </ul>

- Prevention
- Integration
- Collaboration
- Involvement

[focus on wellbeing]

**3.6** The potential impacts the decision would have on:

- protected groups under the Equality Act 2010
- those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (when making strategic decisions)
- opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language

[focus on equality and the Welsh language]

#### 4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

### 5 – Background / Context

#### Background

5.1 In December 2020, the NWEAB and the Welsh and UK Governments agreed the Final Deal Agreement for the North Wales Growth Deal.

5.2. Regular reporting on progress against the North Wales Growth Deal is a requirement of the Final Deal Agreement.

#### 5.3 Quarter 2 Progress 2022/23

5.3.1 The Quarter 2 performance report provides an overview of progress on the Growth Deal programmes and projects.

5.3.2. This quarter saw the approval of another outline business case with the Ambition North Wales led Connecting the Last Few % project in the Digital Programme securing approval to move to the next phase.

5.3.3. The Quarter 2 update is showing projects reporting against the revised portfolio delivery profile approved by the Board in September 2022. Three projects are currently reporting as Red due to either risks to the project scope, or significant delays to project timescales:

- Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence – project under review due to change request for capital and revenue projections. The Portfolio Management Office is working with the project sponsor to explore options to accelerate delivery.
- Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub – planning permission to be secured and potential funding gap due to escalating capital build costs.
- Llysfasi Net Zero Farm – project under review due to challenges addressing Gateway 2 review feedback.

5.3.4. The Bodelwyddan, Key Strategic Site project which was reporting red in the quarter 1 report has been withdrawn from the Growth Deal. The funding provisionally allocated to this project will be retained within the Growth Deal and Ambition North Wales will now consider how best to use this funding to deliver maximum benefits for the region.

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<b>6 – Equality Impact Assessment</b> [including impacts on the Welsh Language]
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<b>6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010</b>
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The Programme Boards and Project Boards will prepare equality and language impact assessments for each individual project. The impact assessments will be live documents and evolve alongside delivery.
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<b>6.2 Potential impacts on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (strategic decisions)</b>
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See 6.1 above
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<b>6.3 Potential impacts on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language</b>
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See 6.1 above
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<b>7 – Financial Implications</b>
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7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from approving the decision sought in this report.
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<b>8 – Appendices:</b>
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<b>9 - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):</b>
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2022-23 Quarter 2

(July to September 2022)

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During this quarter we saw some significant developments in the delivery of the Growth Deal.

Firstly, the approval of the Outline Business Case for **Last Few % project**, within our Digital Connectivity programme. This is an important project within the Growth Deal, seeking to **address a connectivity challenge** across the region where a number of households and communities aren't able to access superfast broadband. As we now move into the procurement phase, we will be engaging with the market to **seek innovative solutions** to this problem, with the aim of delivering superfast broadband connectivity to all inhabited premises in the short term, with gigabit upgrade capability built in as far as possible.

Over the summer, the team have been working hard to **update our Portfolio Business Case** for the Economic Ambition Board's consideration in October. This forms part of our annual update prior to submission to Welsh and UK Governments and provides an opportunity to review delivery profiles and take stock of the progress made during the last 12 months.

The pace of delivery has been slower than anticipated, with the PMO dealing with some major challenges, including projects being reviewed, delays to business case development and the current affordability challenge impacting on all capital programmes as costs rise.

As the Growth Deal is a portfolio of projects to be delivered over a 15-year period it was always to be expected that some changes would be required.

In September, the Economic Ambition Board made the decision to **withdraw the Bodelwyddan Key Strategic Site project** from the Land and Property programme. This decision was made following extensive discussions with Denbighshire County Council and is due to the significant changes in the expected size of the project and the timescales for delivery. However, it is important to note that the funding provisionally allocated to the project is **retained within the Growth Deal** and for North Wales.

This presents an **exciting opportunity** to consider how best to use the funding to deliver the maximum benefits to North Wales.



*Alwen Williams*

**Alwen Williams, Portfolio Director**

Themes	RAG Status	Commentary
Portfolio Business Case	Green	The Portfolio Business Case 2022 update will be presented to the Board in October for approval prior to submission to Welsh Government and UK Government.
Delivery Pipeline	Yellow	The delivery pipeline has been reviewed and updated as part of the 2022 Portfolio Business Case and was approved by the Board in September. Project are now reporting against this revised timetable.
Governance	Green	The Portfolio, Programme and Project Management Framework is now well established with the Portfolio Board and five Programme Boards operating effectively. A Conflicts of Interest procedure is in place across all Boards.
Assurance	Green	The third annual Growth Deal assurance review (Programme Assurance Review) has been completed with the report delivering an 'Amber' confidence rating for the portfolio.
Resource and Capacity	Green	The Portfolio Management Office is currently fully resourced, however there is a need to review resources as move into the delivery phase of the Growth Deal.
Finance	Yellow	First claim for the Digital Signal Processing Centre project has been paid, this included expenditure in 21/22 as well as 22/23 at a total of £590,748. The remaining expenditure in this financial year to date relates to the drawdown against the 1.5% allocation for Portfolio Management Office costs.
Investment	Red	Securing the public and private sector investment required to deliver the Growth Deal remains a significant risk across the portfolio and an investment strategy is being developed to support the team to meet the investment targets.
Risk	Red	While the risk profile has remained stable over the past quarter, there are some significant risks to the delivery of the Growth Deal and the realisation of the benefits. Affordability remains the biggest risk facing the portfolio with inflation, supply chain issues and construction cost increases the main factors driving this increase.
Benefits Monitoring & Evaluation	Green	Both the Benefits Realisation Strategy and Portfolio Monitoring and Evaluation Plans were reviewed as part of the 2022 Portfolio Business Case update, with changes including updated logic models (reflecting agreed benefits framework terminology), the drafting of programme benefit plans and clearer links to project benefit plans.
Communication and Engagement	Green	During this quarter, we officially <a href="#">launched the first Growth Deal project, the DSP Centre</a> , with an in-person event at Bangor University. The First Minister of Wales and the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of Wales attended the events, as well as stakeholders from across the globe. <a href="#">We also celebrated businesses</a> within the region as we sponsored the North Wales start-up award at the Wales Start-up awards in Depot, Cardiff.

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Programme Aim	Job Creation Target	GVA Investment Target	Total Investment Target
Deliver the step change in digital connectivity needed to ensure North Wales is able to satisfy user demand, maintain pace with the rest of the UK, unlock the potential of priority sectors and sites and underpin a flourishing innovation ecosystem.	380	£158m	£41.7m

RAG Status	Programme Manager Commentary
Page 72	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The first DSP project claim has now been paid by Ambition North Wales to Bangor University. The first of two Business Justification Cases (for year 2 expenditure) is now due to be submitted for approval in Quarter 3. The first project benefits have now been reported to the Programme Board (4 direct jobs created with 50% in research, development and innovation)</li> <li>Last Few % project Outline Business Case was approved by the Ambition Board this quarter. Later than expected availability of Welsh Government’s Broadband Public Review premises data has delayed the procurement plan which is now due to get underway in Quarter 3.</li> <li>Procurement of consultancy support for the Connected Campus and Connected Key Sites and Corridors projects was unsuccessful in Quarter 2, limiting progress on the Strategic Outline Business Case delivery however initial drafts have been produced by the Portfolio Management Office for further development once support in place, now expected November 2022.</li> <li>Wider work continues with partners across the region including Welsh Government funded Local Broadband Fund project, engagement with Home Office and Secretary of State for Wales’ Office, SNPA and mobile operators on tackling regional barriers to the UK Shared Rural Network project (4G coverage) and coordination of regional interest in in ‘marketing agreements’ to promote use of public sector assets to support deployment of mobile networks.</li> </ul>



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Project (Project Sponsor)	Project Stage	Key Milestones (this quarter)	Key Milestones (next quarter)	RAG Status	RAG Rationale
<b>Digital Signal Processing Centre</b> Bangor University	Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery of final Year 1 items</li> <li>• Claim and full payment of Year 1 expenditure</li> <li>• First benefits reported (4 direct jobs created with 50% in research, development and innovation)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submission of first Business Justification Case for Year 2 expenditure</li> <li>• Gateway 4 Review</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress is on track with no identified barriers</li> </ul>
<b>Connecting the last few %</b> Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portfolio Board and Business Delivery Group review of Outline Business Case</li> <li>• Ambition Board review and Outline Business Case approval</li> <li>• Preparation of early market engagement</li> <li>• Outcome of Welsh Government Public Review (PR) of broadband coverage</li> <li>• Commercial specification complete</li> <li>• Delegated approval of procurement approach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Market Engagement completed</li> <li>• Lotting strategy and specification agreed</li> <li>• Contract documentation finalised</li> <li>• Procurement plan finalised</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outcome of Welsh Government Public Review has delayed market engagement and drafting of procurement plan and specification. Information is now received but cannot proceed to market engagement until made public by Welsh Government</li> </ul>
<b>Connected Key Sites and Corridors</b> Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress work on Strategic Outline Case</li> <li>• Interim deputy SRO appointed</li> <li>• Initial drafting of Strategic Outline Case by Portfolio Management Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruitment of consultancy support</li> <li>• Drafting and approval of Strategic Outline Case</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unsuccessful in procuring consultancy support in Q2 (now scheduled for Nov 22)</li> </ul>
<b>Connected Campuses</b> Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress work on Strategic Outline Case</li> <li>• Initial drafting of Strategic Outline Case by Portfolio Management Office</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruitment of consultancy support</li> <li>• Drafting and approval of Strategic Outline Case</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unsuccessful in procuring consultancy support in Quarter 2 (now scheduled for November 22)</li> </ul>

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Programme Aim	Job Creation Target	GVA Investment Target	Total Investment Target
To unlock the economic benefits of transformational low carbon energy projects and position North Wales as a leading UK location for low carbon energy generation, innovation and supply chain investment.	980	£530m	£668.5m

RAG Status	Programme Manager Commentary
Page 74	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Smart Local Energy:</b> Continued development of the Outline Business Case with a focus on considering the detailed options for the proposed fund. The need to appoint a new fund specialist creates a small risk of delay.</li> <li>• <b>Transport Decarbonisation (Hydrogen Hub):</b> Early market engagement exercise has been delivered and the Ambition Board has approved the next step of procuring a partner to develop a business case and deliver a hydrogen hub.</li> <li>• <b>Egni: Bangor</b> University submitted a proposal for delivering project in two phases. Phase 1 would consist of a potential new building on the M-SParc site. Phase 2 would consist of the majority of the equipment spend as well as the major building work on the Deiniol Science and Innovation Campus (DSIC). Portfolio Board instructed the Portfolio Management Office to work with Bangor University to develop the proposals in more detail.</li> <li>• <b>Morlais:</b> Menter Môn's change request has been approved by the Ambition Board. This will result in a new business case being developed by Menter Môn.</li> <li>• <b>Trawsfynydd:</b> Project continues to develop with Cwmni Eginio delivering an early market engagement process and developing a bid for UK Government's Future Nuclear Enabling Fund.</li> <li>• Regional Energy Strategy Action Plan approved by the Ambition Board and procurement of contractor for the Local Area Energy Plans underway.</li> </ul>



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<b>Cydnherth (Morlais)</b> Menter Môn	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Ambition Board approved Menter Môn's change request for what the £9m allocated to the project will fund. This new project is called the Cydnherth Project</li> <li>WEFO-funded capital works on the Morlais infrastructure project continuing to plan and schedule.</li> <li>Magallanes, one of the tidal developers at Morlais, secured a contract for difference for the power generated from their berth in the Morlais zone. This will enable the first phase of development at Morlais and the opportunity to deliver local jobs and supply chain opportunities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a new Outline business Case and delivery of workshops.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project on track with no major risks or issues following Ambition Board approval of Menter Môn's change request</li> </ul>
<b>Hydrogen Hub &amp; Transport Decarbonisation</b> Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delivery of the Prior Information Notice process. This proved to be an effective early market testing exercise, with responses from key players in the hydrogen sector confirming an interest in partnering with Ambition North Wales to deliver a hydrogen hub.</li> <li>Ambition Board approval for delivering a procurement process to bring on board a partner.</li> <li>Consultants appointed to support the development and delivery of the procurement process.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop the procurement specification.</li> <li>Launch the procurement process to bring on board a partner.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Options for procuring a partner are being assessed. Amber rating reflects the risk that the procurement process could be longer than planned.</li> </ul>

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<b>Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence (Egni)</b> Bangor University	<i>Project under review</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bangor University submitted a proposal for delivering project in two phases. Phase 1 would consist of a potential new building on the M-SParc site. Phase 2 would consist of the majority of the equipment spend as well as the major building work on the DSIC.</li> <li>Portfolio Board instructed the Portfolio Management Office to work with Bangor University to develop the proposals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop the Outline Business Case for Phase 1.</li> <li>Confirmation of Bangor University Capital Programme and associated detail regarding Phase 2.</li> <li></li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rating remains red due to repeated project delays and impact of capital funding change request upon Programme Spending Objectives. Rating to be reviewed following confirmation of Phase 2</li> </ul>
<b>Smart Local Energy Economic Ambition Board</b>	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of market engagement questionnaire with over 50 responses received.</li> <li>Workshop held with Programme &amp; Project Board on the 17<sup>th</sup> August to discuss fund options.</li> <li>Draft Fund Strategy received from Hatch.</li> <li>Draft reports received for CRF-funded smart local energy system feasibility studies.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project and Programme Board approval of the Fund Strategy.</li> <li>Appoint consultant to support with the continued development of the outline business case.</li> <li>Portfolio Management Office review of the draft outline business case.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amber rating due to the possible delay caused by unforeseen need to appoint a new fund specialist consultant</li> </ul>
<b>Trawsfynydd</b> Cwmni Eginio	Business case process expected to commence in 2022/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Early market engagement exercise completed with 19 parties registering an interest in engaging with the project.</li> <li>Completion.</li> <li>Cwmni Eginio expressed an interest in the UK Government's Future Nuclear Enabling Fund.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete Memorandum of Understanding with Nuclear Decommissioning Authority and Magnox to help underpin future joint working and land aspects.</li> <li>Submit Future Nuclear Enabling Fund application by the 21<sup>st</sup> October deadline.</li> <li>Deliver ecology phase 1 assessment.</li> <li>Begin developing the social value strategy</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uncertainty regarding project delivery timeline and potential for further delays</li> </ul>

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Programme Aim	Job Creation Target	GVA Investment Target	Total Investment Target
To address the shortage of suitable land and properties for business growth and to bring forward sites for housing development. To deliver improvements that stimulate investment in sites and premises in the Port of Holyhead and the wider region. Enables other programmes by ensuring the right land and property infrastructure is available.	2280	£1.29bn	£355.4m

RAG Status	Programme Manager Commentary
Page 77	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mott Macdonald are undertaking surveys for site investigation and biodiversity on the Western Gateway site on behalf of Welsh Government as part of the programme of work committed to, pending the decision on the A483 junction upgrades by the Minister.</li> <li>Warren Hall, Broughton - The Local Development Plan Examination report is now expected in the Autumn followed by its the adoption. The Ministers decision on the Road Review Panel Recommendation is expected in Quarter 3 2022/23.</li> <li>Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh - Ambition North Wales, Denbighshire County Council and Jones Bros are investigating compliant procurement routes to use the Phase 1 funding.</li> <li>Holyhead Gateway - Subsidy Support advice has been obtained, recommending that grant aid is the most compliant route for intervention funding. This is the subject of ongoing discussions with Stena. Stena's purchase of the former Orthios plant is to be used in conjunction with the commercial use of the port.</li> </ul>



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<b>Western Gateway, Wrexham</b> Wrexham County Borough Council	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Road Review Panel have made their recommendation to the Minister with regards the A483 junctions' upgrades.</li> <li>Wrexham Council have commissioned a Feasibility Study to assess how the Phosphate Reduction Strategy will be delivered using the Western Gateway as an example of a greenfield development site.</li> <li>Mott Macdonald have commenced site surveys (site investigation and biodiversity).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete the Memorandum of Understanding with the Council.</li> <li>The Ministers decision on the A483 Junctions upgrades is due in the Autumn of 2022.</li> <li>Phosphate Feasibility Study to report. to the Council on the delivery of reduction and mitigation measures for new development sites. Adoption of Wrexham's Local Development Plan is scheduled for late 2022.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A483 junction upgrades Road Review Panel decision is vital for this project and the ministerial decision is expected in the Autumn of 2022.</li> <li>Phosphate Reduction and Mitigation Strategy to outline mitigation and reduction measures that could be applied on the project site.</li> </ul>
<b>Warren Hall, Broughton</b> Welsh Government / Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Road Review Panel have made their recommendation to the Minister with regards this site.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Ministers decision on the Warren Hall site Road Review is due in the Autumn of 2022.</li> <li>Adoption of the Flintshire Local Development Plan is scheduled for this Autumn 2022.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Development Plan Adoption is now anticipated in the Autumn of 2022.</li> <li>Road Review Panel decision due in Autumn of 2022.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Withdrawn (Key Strategic Site Bodelwyddan)</b>	<i>The Bodelwyddan Key Strategic site project has been withdrawn. A replacement project has yet to be identified.</i>				
<b>Former North Wales Hospital, Denbighshire</b> Jones Bros (Ruthin) Limited / Denbighshire County Council	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Denbighshire County Council have submitted a Levelling Up fund Application to address the development viability gap.</li> <li>Discussions on procurement with the Council are ongoing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirmation of the Levelling Up Fund Application approval.</li> <li>Confirm compliant procurement route to deliver Phase 1 works.</li> <li>Refine and revise draft outline business case incorporating the Phased Development Scenario and procurement route.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project risk reflects dependency on new funding from Levelling Up Fund.</li> <li>Procurement route for Phase 1 works using public funds to be confirmed.</li> </ul>

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<b>Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor</b> Welsh Government / North Wales Economic Ambition Board	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Joint Venture discussions with Welsh Government, have been proceeding.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A report to the Portfolio and Economic Ambition Board to recommend approval of the Joint Venture Agreement</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential occupier demand.</li> <li>Willing landowner and development partner.</li> <li>Planning Policy compliant proposed use.</li> </ul>
<b>Holyhead Gateway</b> Stena Line Ports Limited	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Subsidy Support advice has been obtained and shared with Stena Line.</li> <li>Stena's purchase of the former Orthios plant is planned to be used in conjunction with the use of the of the port.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stena Line to disclose their plans for the Orthios site.</li> <li>Agreement is reached in principal with Stena Line as to the use of funding in the port expansion project.</li> <li>The breakwater refurbishment funding is approved and a funding mechanism agreed by Welsh Government and Stena Line.</li> <li>Completion of an Outline Business Case for the delivery of the port capacity enhancement works.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harbour Revision Order still to be consented.</li> <li>Uncertainty with cost of works for port expansion and breakwater refurbishment.</li> </ul>

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Programme Aim	Job Creation Target	GVA Investment Target	Total Investment Target
To build a more sustainable, vibrant and resilient foundation economy in the region, optimising opportunities for employment and prosperity through our environment and landscape.	380	£281m	£41.3m

RAG Status	Programme Manager Commentary
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grŵp Llandrillo Menai have appointed a Project Manager for the Tourism Talent Network project. The Project team have engaged with stakeholders through partnership meetings as well as the Economic Case workshop. The team is now working with the Portfolio Management Office to develop their Strategic Outline Case (SOC) and preparing for the Gateway 1 Review in November 2022.</li> <li>Grŵp Llandrillo Menai have submitted their pre planning application and are also managing the cost increases for the Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub project, which includes an optioneering approach to the project scope.</li> </ul>

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Project (Project Sponsor)	Project Stage	Key Milestones (this quarter)	Key Milestones (next quarter)	RAG Status	RAG Rationale
<b>Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub</b> Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	Developing the Full Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing work with consultants on design developing scenario- based costings to fit funding envelope.</li> <li>Pre-planning application submitted.</li> <li>Strategic case reviewed by the Project team to be updated for the Full Business Case.</li> <li>Integration of emissions and biodiversity methodology to Full Business Case stage.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proceed through pre-planning and full planning application processes.</li> <li>Agree funding gap mitigation.</li> <li>Draft the Full Business Case.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Funding gap identified against approved Outline Business Case.</li> <li>Escalating capital build costs.</li> <li>Planning permission to be secured.</li> </ul>
<b>Llysfasi Net Zero Farm</b> Coleg Cambria	<i>Project under review</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal review of Gateway 2 Review recommendations completed</li> <li>Stakeholder discussions regarding a forward plan from Gateway 2 Review completed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirm next steps for project.</li> </ul>		Project remains under review.
<b>Tourism Talent Network</b> Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	Developing the Strategic Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress business case development through the Strategic Case stakeholder workshop.</li> <li>Working with consultants to develop business case.</li> <li>Gateway 1 review booked and planning underway.</li> <li>Project Manager appointed for Tourism Academy.</li> <li>Partnership meetings with private sector 'spokes'.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agree a Memorandum of Understanding between Ambition North Wales and Grŵp Llandrillo Menai.</li> <li>Finalise Strategic Outline Case (SOC) for Programme Board approval in late October 22 and Gateway 1 Review in late November.</li> <li>Plan Commercial, Financial and Management Case workshops.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business case development timeline is slightly delayed but accelerated management plan in place and timelines agreed with stakeholders.</li> </ul>

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Programme Aim	Job Creation Target	GVA Investment Target	Total Investment Target
To consolidate North Wales position as a powerful and innovative high value manufacturing cluster, building on existing specialisms and leading expertise to create a higher value, more diverse economic base that supports the transition to a low carbon economy.	180	£114m	£39.5m

RAG Status	Programme Manager Commentary
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Glyndŵr University are preparing the Full Business Case for the Enterprise Engineering Optics Centre for consideration in September 2023.</li> <li>Bangor University have been working with the Portfolio Management Office to resolve changes to the project matched funding element of the Centre for Environmental Biotechnology project.</li> <li>Both projects working to integrate the Ambition North Wales social value considerations and emissions and biodiversity approach into their business case processes.</li> </ul>

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<b>Enterprise Engineering and Optics Centre</b> Wrexham Glyndŵr University	Developing the Full Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social value approach drafted.</li> <li>• Work programme developed for Full Business Case approval.</li> <li>• On-going integration of emissions and biodiversity methodology.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing work on design developing scenario- based costings to fit funding envelope.</li> <li>• Drafting procurement documentation.</li> <li>• Development of Full Business Case for Economic Ambition Board consideration in September 2023..</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Match fund position clarified.</li> <li>• Ongoing cost pressures.</li> <li>• Full Business Case development being managed robustly.</li> </ul>
<b>Centre for Environmental Biotechnology</b> Bangor University	Developing the Outline Business Case	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval in principle of change request for capital and revenue projections, shifting project matched funding focus from Deiniol Centre to Mona Industrial site. Workshop on the Management case Gateway 2 Review booked for December.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submit detailed change request to Programme Board.</li> <li>• Preparation for Gateway 2 Review in December Development of Outline Business Case for Ambition Board consideration in December 2022</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outstanding change request for capital and revenue projections.</li> <li>• Started Outline Business Case development .</li> </ul>

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Project	Consenting Stage				Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5	Stage 6	Stage 7	Stage 8
	Pre-application stage	Outline planning / Consent	Full planning / Consent	Conditions discharged	Determine the Project context	Preparing the Strategic Outline Case	Preparing the Outline Business Case	Approval of the Outline Business Case	Preparing the Full Business Case	Approval of the Full Business Case	Project implementation and monitoring	Project Evaluation
Digital Signal Processing Centre	No planning required				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	⌚	
Connected Key Sites and Corridors	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	⌚						
Connected Campuses	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	⌚						
Last Few %	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	✓	✓	✓	⌚			
Cydnherth (Morlais)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	⌚					
Trawsfynydd Power Station	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	⌚						
Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence	Project under review											
Smart Local Energy	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	✓	⌚					
Hydrogen Hub & Transport Decarbonisation	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	✓	⌚					
Holyhead Gateway	Harbour Revision Order Submitted & Marine License granted				✓	✓	⌚					
Former North Wales Hospital	✓	✓	⌚		✓	✓	⌚					
Key Strategic Site, Bodelwyddan	Project withdrawn											
Western Gateway, Wrexham	LDP adoption to be completed				✓	⌚						
Warren Hall, Broughton	LDP adoption to be completed				⌚							
Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor	⌚				⌚							
Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub	⌚				✓	✓	✓	✓	⌚			
Llysfasi Net Zero Farm	Project under review											
Tourism Talent Network	Consenting requirements TBC				✓	⌚						
Centre for Environmental Biotechnology	No planning required				✓	✓	⌚					
Enterprise Engineering and Optics	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	⌚			



\*Delivery profile as per 2022 Portfolio Business Case. Where an Outline Business Case or Full Business Case has been approved figures have been updated with the latest information.

		Portfolio Business Case 2020 Targets			Approved Project Business Case Targets			Difference			
		GVA (EM)	Jobs Created (net)	(EM) Total Investment*	OBC/FBC**	GVA (EM)	Jobs Created (net)	(EM) Total Investment*	GVA (EM)	Jobs Created	(EM) Total Investment*
Digital	Digital Signal Processing Centre (DSP)	50	80	7.3	FBC	12	33	3.0	-38	-47	-4.3
	Connecting the last few %	35	150	4.0	OBC	15	130	4.0	-20	-20	0
	Connected Key Sites and Corridors	45	120	9.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Connected Campuses	35	0	21	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Low Carbon Energy	Cydnherth (Morlais)	50	100	36	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Hydrogen Hub and Transport Decarbonisation	60	90	28.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence (Egni)	20	20	97.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Smart Local Energy	120	180	106.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Trawsfynydd	230	510	400	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Land and Property	Western Gateway, Wrexham	220	360	43.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Warren Hall, Broughton	235	440	70	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	<i>Project Withdrawn*** (Key Strategic Site, Bodelwyddan)</i>										
	Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh	20	50	74	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor	30	50	6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Holyhead Gateway	545	930	80	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Agrifood and Tourism	Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub	25	40	13	OBC	45	96	13	+20	+56
Llysfasi Net Zero Farm		215	310	15.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Tourism Talent Network		20	0	12.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Innovation in High Value Manufacturing	Enterprise Engineering and Optics Centre	45	70	29.9	OBC	33	61	14.7	-12	-9	-15.2
	Centre for Environmental Biotechnology	60	90	9.6	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>Growth Deal Portfolio Total</b>		<b>2,185</b>	<b>3,830</b>	<b>1,146</b>	<b>OBC 1FBC</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>-19.5</b>

\* Total investment shown here includes 1.5% Portfolio Management Office costs

\*\* OBC - Outline Business Case, FBC - Full Business Case

\*\*\* Targets for removed project still included as part of the total targets for the Growth Deal.

Programme	Project	Project Sponsor	2021/22 £m	2022/23 £m	2023/24 £m	2024/25 £m	2025/26 £m	2026/27 £m	2027/28 £m	2028/29 £m	2029/30 £m	2030/31 £m	2031/32 £m	2032/33 £m	Total £m
Digital	Digital Signal Processing Centre	Bangor University	0.12	1.70	0.70	0.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.96
	Connecting the Last Few %	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	1.46	1.47	1.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.94
	Connected Key Sites and Corridors	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	1.00	3.83	4.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.87
	Connected Campuses	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.29	3.88	5.83	5.83	4.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.68
Low Carbon Energy	Cydnherth (Morlais)	Menter Môn	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.33	4.44	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.87
	Hydrogen Hub & Transport Decarbonisation	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.61	5.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.23
	Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence	Bangor University	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.91	9.85	4.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.68
	Smart Local Energy	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.46	2.47	2.47	2.47	24.63
	Trawsfynydd Power Station	Cwmni Eginio	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.97	2.96	4.92	9.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.70
Land and Property	Western Gateway, Wrexham	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.19	1.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.96
	Warren Hall, Broughton	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.77
	<i>Project Withdrawn** (Key Strategic Site, Bodelyyddan)</i>														
	Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	1.97	1.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.94
	Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor	Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	1.48	4.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.91
	Holyhead Gateway	Stenaline	0.00	0.00	9.85	17.24	7.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.47
Agrifood and Tourism	Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	0.00	0.00	7.20	2.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.85
	Llysfasi Net Zero Farm	Coleg Cambria	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	4.00	0.40	0.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.85
	Tourism Talent Network	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.43
Innovation in High Value Manufacturing	Enterprise Engineering and Optics Centre	Glyndwr University	0.00	0.00	2.12	3.91	6.65	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.85
	Centre for Environmental Biotechnology	Bangor University	0.00	0.00	1.25	1.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.96
<b>Portfolio Management Office Costs (15%)</b>															<b>3.60</b>
<b>Total</b>															<b>240.0</b>

\* 2021/22 profile is actual expenditure. Remaining profile is as forecast in the 2022 Portfolio Business Case.

\*\* Targets for removed project still included as part of the total targets for the Growth Deal.

Programme	Project	Project Sponsor	Profile 22/23 (£m)	Actual YTD (£m)	Variance (£m)	Rationale	
Digital	Digital Signal Processing Centre	Bangor University	1.70	0.47	-1.23	First claim processed in June 2022. Next claim expected in October, 2022-23 expenditure expected to be in line with profile.	
	Connecting the Last Few %	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Connected Key Sites and Corridors	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Connected Campuses	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Low Carbon Energy	Cydnherth (Morlais)	Menter Môn	0.00	0.00	0.00	No Full Business Cases have been approved. Expenditure profile now aligned to 2021 Portfolio Business Case update.	
	Hydrogen Hub & Transport Decarbonisation	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence	Bangor University	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Smart Local Energy	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Trawsfynydd Power Station	Cwmni Eginio	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Land and Property	Western Gateway, Wrexham	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00	No Full Business Cases have been approved. Expenditure profile now aligned to 2021 Portfolio Business Case update.	
	Warren Hall, Broughton	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	<i>Project Withdrawn*** (Key Strategic Site, Bodelwyddan)</i>						
	Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Holyhead Gateway	Stenaline	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Agri-food and Tourism	Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	0.00	0.00	0.00	No Full Business Cases have been approved. Expenditure profile now aligned to 2021 Portfolio Business Case update.	
	Llysfasi Net Zero Farm	Coleg Cambria	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	Tourism Talent Network	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Innovation in High Value Manufacturing	Enterprise Engineering and Optics Centre	Glyndwr University	0.00	0.00	0.00	No Full Business Cases have been approved. Expenditure profile now aligned to 2021 Portfolio Business Case update.	
	Centre for Environmental Biotechnology	Bangor University	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Portfolio Management Office Costs (15%)			0.56	0.13	-0.43	Expected expenditure reduced from £750k as part of mid-year budget review.	
Total			2.26	0.60	-1.66	See above	

\* Variance is the difference between the planned profile (Portfolio Business Case 2021) and the Actual Year to Date (YTD) expenditure. YTD figures up to end of December 2021.

Programme	Project	Sponsor	Summary
Digital	Digital Signal Processing Centre (DSP)	Bangor University	The project will allow the DSP Centre to expand its presence and remit, integrating fully with the National Strategy Project (NSP) and enable the scaling of key assets including a 5G testbed, research capacity and state-of-the-art equipment.
	Connecting the last few %	Economic Ambition Board	This project targets universal superfast coverage across North Wales, which have yet to be served by other means and cannot obtain speeds of at least 30Mbps (download).
	Connected Key Sites and Corridors	Economic Ambition Board	This project aims to enhance the reliability and quality of mobile services on the main roads and rail routes in North Wales, enabling full-fibre services to key commercial sites across the region. Focussing on developing fibreoptic networks, which are essential for delivering 4G, 5G and gigabit capable broadband.
	Connected Campuses	Economic Ambition Board	The project will accelerate the development of a range of digital connectivity options with a current focus at 18 key regional economic sites.
Low Carbon Energy	Cydnerth (Morlais)	Menter Môn	Investing in infrastructure to connect to the National Grid network and monitor marine environmental effects. This will enable an increase in the deployment of turbines by tidal developers and the generation of renewable energy.
	Hydrogen Hub and Transport Decarbonisation	Economic Ambition Board	Support delivery of a demonstrator project involving the production of green hydrogen from low carbon energy sources and its use within regional transport networks.
	Low Carbon Energy Centre of Excellence (Egni)	Bangor University	Investing in the development of facilities at Bangor University and Menai Science Park, enhancing the North Wales and UK capabilities for innovation in low carbon energy and related areas, helping to create the conditions for new inward investment and business growth in the low carbon energy supply chain in North Wales.
	Smart Local Energy	Economic Ambition Board	To help achieve renewable energy, decarbonisation and local ownership targets, the project will support innovative enabling projects and demonstrators that overcome market failures and unlock private and community sector investments in smart local energy solutions.
	Trawsfynydd	Cwmni Egino	The site is uniquely placed for a 'First of A Kind' deployment of a Small Modular Reactor (SMR) or Advanced Modular Reactor (AMR). Alongside the public and private sector, the Growth Deal will contribute funding towards enabling infrastructure for this development.

Programme	Project	Sponsor	Summary
Land and Property	Western Gateway, Wrexham	Economic Ambition Board	Delivery of primary services to enable the site to be brought to the market for sale and development.
	Warren Hall, Broughton	Economic Ambition Board	Delivery of primary services to enable the 65-hectare mixed use site to be bought to the market for sale and then development by the private sector.
	<i>Project Withdrawn (Key Strategic Site, Bodelwyddan)</i>	<i>The Bodelwyddan Key Strategic site project has been withdrawn. A replacement project has yet to be identified.</i>	
	Parc Bryn Cegin, Bangor	Economic Ambition Board	Provide industrial floor space to meet known demand for units.
	Former North Wales Hospital, Denbigh	Economic Ambition Board	The Growth Deal funding will assist in the delivery of a cleared and remediated site with primary services to bring forward a mixed-use commercial and residential development
	Holyhead Gateway	Stena Line	Future proof the Holyhead Port by providing new deep-water heavy loading and cruise facilities, improved vehicular access, guaranteeing the future of the breakwater and providing for the demands of regional energy projects.
Agri-food and Tourism	Glynllifon Rural Economy Hub	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	The vision is to create a distinctive, world-class Rural Economy Hub at Glynllifon, offering a range of facilities and services to strengthen and enhance the regional economy, specifically through growing the food and drink sector.
	Llysfasi Net Zero Farm	Coleg Cambria	The Llysfasi Net Zero Farm aims to lead North Wales to a resilient future where carbon neutral land management is at the centre of a developing renewable energy sector supporting a sustainable, thriving and healthy community covering the rural/urban mix of the region.
	Tourism Talent Network	Grŵp Llandrillo Menai	Future-proofing the pipeline of skills provision and increase commercial benefits from one of the most established sectors in the region. The talent network will stimulate public-private collaboration to coordinate action on skills and product development to transform and accelerate the growth of the tourism and hospitality sector in the region.
Innovation in High Value Manufacturing	Centre for Environmental Biotechnology (CEB)	Bangor University	The Centre for Engineering Biotechnology will be a world-leading centre in the discovery and characterisation of novel extremophilic enzymes of industrial relevance. The Centre for Engineering Biotechnology will provide a strong foundation for attracting world-leading researchers, significant public and commercial research funding, and inward investment to Wales.
	Enterprise Engineering & Optics Centre	Glyndwr University	The Enterprise Engineering & Optics Centre will provide facilities targeted to boost high-level skills development for the region and enable Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME's) and large businesses to work in partnership with Wrexham Glyndwr University on commercially driven research and development in optics, composites and hydrogen fuel cells.

<b>ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template</b>	
<b>Committee:</b>	Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
<b>Date:</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> January, 2023
<b>Subject:</b>	Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>	Assist the Scrutiny Committee in considering, agreeing and reviewing its forward work programme for 2022/23
<b>Scrutiny Chair:</b>	Cllr Dylan Rees
<b>Portfolio Holder(s):</b>	Not applicable
<b>Head of Service:</b>	Lynn Ball, Director of Function (Council Business) / Monitoring Officer
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<b>Local Members:</b>	Applicable to all Scrutiny Members

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<b>1 - Recommendation/s</b>
The Committee is requested to: <b>R1</b> agree the current version of the forward work programme for 2022/23 <b>R2</b> note progress thus far in implementing the forward work programme.

<b>2 – Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities</b>
Effective work programming is the foundation of effective local government scrutiny. Our Scrutiny rolling forward work programmes are aligned with the corporate priorities of the Council and corporate transformation programmes – ensuring the role of Member scrutiny makes a tangible contribution to the Council’s improvement priorities.

<b>3 – Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members</b>
<b>To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-</b>
<b>3.1</b> Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]
<b>3.2</b> A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change – both financially and in terms of quality [focus on value]
<b>3.3</b> A look at any risks [focus on risk]
<b>3.4</b> Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]
<b>3.5</b> Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long term</li> <li>• Prevention</li> <li>• Integration</li> <li>• Collaboration</li> <li>• Involvement</li> </ul> [focus on wellbeing]

**3.6** The potential impacts the decision would have on:

- protected groups under the Equality Act 2010
- those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (when making strategic decisions)
- opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language

[focus on equality and the Welsh language]

#### 4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

### 5 – Background / Context

#### 1. Background

1.1 Effective work programming is the bedrock of an effective local government scrutiny function<sup>1</sup>. Done well, work programming can help lay the foundations for targeted and timely work on issues of local importance demonstrating where Member scrutiny can add value. Good practice advocates two key issues at the heart of the scrutiny forward work programme:

- i. Challenge around prioritising work streams
- ii. Need for a member-led approach and interface with officers.

#### 1.2 Basic principles of good work programming<sup>2</sup>

- Work programming should not be a “start-stop” process
- Complementary work programmes for separate scrutiny committees
- Balance between different methods of work
- An effective process for reporting / escalating issues to the Executive
- Input and views of internal stakeholders
- Close working with the Executive
- Links with the Annual Scrutiny Report (evaluation and improvement tool).

#### 2. Local context

2.1 There is now a well-established practice of forward work programming which are now rolling programmes focusing on the quality of scrutiny with fewer items, to add value. They are an important tool to assist Members in prioritising their work and are discussed with the Strategic Leadership Team and Heads of Service. Both committees review the content of their work programmes on a regular basis, to ensure that they remain relevant and keep abreast with local priorities. Our local forward planning arrangements now ensure greater focus on:

- Strategic aspects
- Citizen / other stakeholder engagement and outcomes
- Priorities of the Council Plan and transformation projects
- Risks and the work of inspection and regulation
- Matters on the forward work programme of the Executive.

<sup>1</sup> A Cuning Plan? Devising a scrutiny work programme, Centre for Public Scrutiny (March, 2011)

<sup>2</sup> A Cuning Plan? Devising a scrutiny work programme, Centre for Public Scrutiny (March, 2011)

**Outcome:** rolling work programmes for scrutiny committees which are aligned with corporate priorities.

2.2 Committee chairs lead on developing the forward work programmes and are submitted to the monthly Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-chairs Forum and for approval at each ordinary meeting of the scrutiny committees. The Forum is considered an important vehicle to oversee these programmes and jointly negotiate priorities.

2.3 **“Whole council” approach to Scrutiny:** our work programmes provide a strong foundation for our improvement programme, ensuring the role that Scrutiny plays in the Authority’s governance arrangements:

- i. Supports robust and effective decision-making
- ii. Makes a tangible contribution to the Council’s improvement priorities
- iii. Continues to evolve.

### 3. Issues for consideration

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee receives regular update reports on the implementation of its forward work programme. A copy of the current 2022/23 work programme is attached as **APPENDIX 1** to this report for reference and includes changes made to the work programme since the Committee last considered the document.<sup>3</sup>

3.2 Where appropriate, items may be added to the Committee’s forward work programme during the municipal year. Requests for additional matters to be considered for inclusion on the work programme can be submitted via the Members Request Form for an item to be considered for Scrutiny. Requests are initially considered by the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-chairs Forum, using the following criteria:

- the Council’s strategic objectives and priorities (as outlined in the Council Plan)
- the ability of the Committee to have influence and/or add value on the subject (A Scrutiny Test of Significance Form will be completed).

## 6 – Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language]

### 6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010

### 6.2 Potential impacts on those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (strategic decisions)

### 6.3 Potential impacts on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and treating the Welsh language no less favourably than the English language

Not applicable for this overarching issue but will be considered as an integral part of preparing for specific proposals to be submitted for consideration by the Committee.

## 7 – Financial Implications

Not applicable.

## 8 – Appendices:

<sup>3</sup> Meeting of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee convened on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022

Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2022/23

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

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Should you wish to speak on any specific item at a Scrutiny Committee then you should register your interest by submitting a written request using the form available as soon as possible and at least 3 clear working days prior to the specific Committee meeting. You can access information about the meeting and which items being discussed by reading this Forward Work Programme. Contact the Scrutiny Manager if you have any queries

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<b>CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>May, 2022 (31/05/22)</b>	<b>May, 2022 (31/05/22)</b>
Election of Chair: 2022/23	Election of Chair: 2022/23
Election of Vice-chair: 2022/23	Election of Vice-chair: 2022/23
<b>June, 2022 (20/06/22)</b>	<b>June, 2022 (21/06/22)</b>
Performance Monitoring: Corporate Scorecard Qtr4: 2021/22	Annual Report on the Welsh Standards: 2021/22
Nomination of Scrutiny Members to Serve on Panels and Boards	Nomination of Scrutiny Members to Serve on Panels and Boards
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	North Wales Economic Ambition Board Qtr 4: 2021/22 Progress Report
	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>September, 2022 (26/09/22) – Q1</b>	<b>September, 2022 (26/09/22)</b>
Performance Monitoring: Corporate Scorecard Q1: 2022/23	Market Stability Report (Social Care)
Progress Monitoring: Social Services Improvement Plan / Social Services Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Education Scrutiny Panel Progress Report
Finance Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Public Services Board Annual Report: 2021/22
Nomination of Committee Member on the Waste Steering Group with WRAP Cymru	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>October, 2022 (19/10/22)</b>	<b>October, 2022 (18/10/22)</b>
Poverty and Cost of Living Challenges	Estyn Inspection of the Local Education Authority <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post Inspection Action Plan</li> <li>• Feedback from the Education Scrutiny Panel</li> </ul>
Annual Performance Report: 2021/22	Arfor Programme
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Regional Emergency Planning Service Annual Report: 2021/22
	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23

<b>CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>November, 2022 (22/11/22) - Q2</b>	<b>November, 2022 (23/11/22) – Crime and Disorder</b>
Monitoring Performance: Corporate Scorecard Q2: 2022/23	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Community Safety Partnership Annual Report: 2021/22
Population Data: Census 2021	Annual Report North Wales Regional Partnership Board (Part 9): 2021/22
Isle of Anglesey Local Authority Report on the 2022 School Sport Survey: Sport Wales	North Wales Economic Ambition Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Wales Economic Ambition Board Annual Report: 2021/22</li> <li>• North Wales Economic Ambition Board Qtr 1: 2022/23 Progress Reports</li> </ul>
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>January, 2023 (19/01/23) – 2023/24 Budget (morning)</b>	<b>January, 2023 (17/01/23)</b>
2023/24 Budget Setting (Revenue Budget) – initial budget proposals	Corporate Safeguarding
Finance Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Wellbeing Plan: 2023/28 – statutory consultee
Council Plan: 2023-2028	North Wales Economic Ambition Board Qtr 2: 2022/23 Progress Reports
	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>January, 2023 (19/01/23) (afternoon)</b>	
CIW Inspection: Post Performance Evaluation Inspection Action Plan (October, 2022)	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	
<b>February, 2023 (28/02/23) – 2023/24 Budget</b>	<b>February, 2023 (07/02/23) - Education</b>
Final Draft Budget Proposals for 2023/24 – revenue & capital	Anglesey Schools' Education Standards Report
Finance Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	GwE Annual Report: 2021/22
	Education Scrutiny Panel Progress Report
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>March, 2023 (14/03/23) - Q3</b>	<b>March, 2023 (15/03/23)</b>
Monitoring Performance: Corporate Scorecard Q3: 2022/23	Annual Report on Equalities: 2021/22
Housing Revenue Account Business Plan: 2023/24	Public Services Board – governance arrangements / scrutiny of delivery of the Wellbeing Plan (to be confirmed)
Progress Monitoring: Social Services Improvement Plan / Social Services Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Update – for information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Wales Economic Ambition Board Qtr 3: 2022/23 Progress Report</li> </ul>

<b>CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23
<b>April, 2023 (19/04/23)</b>	<b>April, 2023 (19/04/23)</b>
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Management Plan	Public Services Board – governance arrangements / scrutiny of delivery of the Wellbeing Plan (to be confirmed)
	Anglesey Town Centres Improvement Strategy
	Destination Plan
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2022/23

**Items to be scheduled:**

<b>Corporate Scrutiny Committee</b>	<b>Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee</b>
Service Asset Management Policy 2021/31 – Smallholdings Estate	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board – Clinical Services Strategy
Highways Asset Management Plan	North Wales Police & Crime Commissioner
Corporate Asset Management Polisi 2021/26	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service
Census 2021	Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust
	Medrwn Môn
	Scrutiny of Partnerships
	Transformation of Learning Disabilities Day Opportunities
	Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Needs Assessment
	North Wales Economic Ambition Board Annual Report: 2021/22
	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Public Services Board – Annual Report 2022/23

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