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PWYLLGOR SGRIWTINI CORFFORAETHOL	CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DYDD MAWRTH 19 TACHWEDD am 2:00 y. p.	TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2024 at 2.00 pm
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John Tierney (Yr Eglwys Gatholig / The Catholic Church),

Wenda Owen (Yr Eglwys yng Nghymru/The Church in Wales)

Gillian Thompson (Rhiant Llywodraethwr – Sector Ysgolion Cynradd/Parent Governor-Primary Schools Sector)

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AGENDA

1 <u>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</u>

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

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 8)

To present the minutes of the previous meeting of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee held on 16 October 2024.

3 <u>PERFORMANCE MONITORING: CORPORATE SCORECARD Q2 2024-25</u> (Pages 9 - 24)

To present the report of the Head of Profession (HR) and Transformation.

4 <u>MÔN ACTIF STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2029</u> (Pages 25 - 44)

To present the report of the Head of Regulation and Economic Development.

- 5 LOCAL HOUSING MARKET ASSESSMENT 2023-2028 (Pages 45 168)
 - To present the report of the Head of Housing Services.
- 6 PROCUREMENT STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2029 AND NEW CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES (Pages 169 200)

To present the report of the Director of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer.

7 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 201 - 208)

To present the report of the Scrutiny Manager.

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 16 October 2024

PRESENT: Councillor Douglas Massie Fowlie (Chair)

Councillor Sonia Williams (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Geraint ap Ifan Bebb, R LI Jones, Llio Angharad Owen, Keith Roberts, Alwen Pennant Watkin, Arfon Wyn, Sonia Williams

and Ieuan Williams

Portfolio Members

Councillors Alun Roberts (Portfolio Member for Adult Services' and Community Safety), Neville Evans (Portfolio Member for Leisure, Tourism and Maritime), Dafydd Roberts (Portfolio Member for

Education and the Welsh Language)

IN ATTENDANCE: Chief Executive

> Head of Adults' Services (AO) Head of Democracy (DS) Scrutiny Manager (AD) Scrutiny Officer (EA) Webcasting Officer (FT)

ALSO PRESENT: Siobhan Gothorp (North Wales Partnership Board)

> Councillors Gary Pritchard (Leader and Portfolio Member for Economic Development), Nicola Roberts (Portfolio Member for Planning, Public Protection and Climate Change), Robin Williams (Deputy Leader and Portfolio Member for Finance and Housing).

APOLOGIES: Councillors Aled Morris Jones, Councillor Jackie Lewis.

Gillian Thompson, Wenda Owen and John Tierney (Co-opted

Members); Rhys H. Hughes (Deputy Chief Executive), Fon Roberts

(Director of Social Services and Children's Services).

1 **ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

It was RESOLVED that Councillor Sonia Williams be elected as Vice-Chairperson of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the 2024/2025 civic year.

2 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee held on 17 September, 2024 were presented and confirmed as correct.

4 NORTH WALES REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24

The report of the Director of Social Services incorporating the North Wales Regional Partnership Board Annual Report 2023/24 was presented for the Committee's consideration.

The Portfolio Member for Adult Services' and Community Safety introduced this item which is a statutory report each Regional Partnership Board must prepare, publish and present annually to Welsh Government, in line with Section 9 of the Social Services and Welfare Act. The purpose of the report is to provide information for Partners about the Regional Partnership Board and its activities during 2023/24. The Isle of Anglesey County Council as a Local Authority is represented on the Board along with Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, North Wales Police and a number of other Organisations, Agencies and members of the third sector. The key aims of the Board are:

- collaborate in partnership to integrate across workstreams
- improve, care and assist in ensuring people have a better voice with regards to the health and welfare of residents
- provide care that concentrates on the individual
- make more effective use of resources, skills and expertise given pressures experienced by statutory frontline services across the

The Portfolio Member described how working in partnership across Social Services and partners will assist to developing resilient communities and services for individuals who need care and support.

Siobhan Gothorp, Regional Business Manager of North Wales Regional Partnership Board Support Team gave the Committee an overview of the North Wales Regional Partnership Board Annual Report 2023/24:

- Key achievements of the Board included Delivery of Regional Integration Fund (RIF) programme worth £32.8 million across North Wales with 141 schemes/ services
- Development of the 10-year Regional Strategic Capital Plan which includes 31 Capital Schemes
- Regional Memory Support Pathway (MSP) which provides a seamless service across Partners working collaboratively to provide advice and support on pre-assessment and post diagnostic concerns to ensure an equitable pathway
- The establishment of Dementia Centres across all 6 counties through a grant fund worth £390,000 across a 3-year period. 1 permanent Dementia Centre

- is located on Anglesey in the Hwb Cymunedol Glanhwfa Community Hub, Llangefni.
- The Establishment of a North Wales Dementia Friendly Communities (DFC) accreditation and recognition scheme was developed in January 2024 to replace the National Dementia Friendly Scheme previously provided by the Alzheimer's Society. Subsequently, the Board has successfully re-accredited existing Dementia friendly communities and assisted new and emerging centres with their accreditation.
- The Children's Regional Partnership Board (CRPB) was another key achievement, implemented in January 2024 and underpinned by a revised governance structure, focusing on priorities across North Wales to improve the lives of children with complex Neurodiverse conditions such as Autism and ADHD who are on long waiting lists for assessment and diagnosis with the Local Health Board. Ynys Môn are focusing specifically on early intervention and prevention through the roll out of a multi-disciplinary team approach based around 5 Secondary and 5 Primary Schools.
- A Regional Learning Disabilities Supported Employment strategy has also been developed as a framework to support people and organisations to ensure people with learning disabilities are able to live an independent life. This has included a pilot project to access (established in 2023).
- Finally, towards the end of 2023, a Good News Group was established to coordinate communication of the Regional Partnership Board's work via the Communication Officers of each partner organisation.

The presentation was concluded with the key priorities for the Regional Development Board during 2024/25

- The continuation to deliver the RIF programme and improve outcomes and evaluation framework
- Refresh of the 10-year Regional Strategic Capital Plan
- Development of Children's Regional Partnership Board priorities
- Regional LD Supported Employment model to access paid employment.
- The continuation to progress their Autism Code of Practice and Neurodivergence Improvement Plan along with the momentum of the Mwy Na Geiriau scheme.
- Support the implementation of new and existing Safeguarding legislation
- Develop a North Wales approach to using digital, data and technology to enable seamless, integrated services.

Ms Gothorp provided the Committee with a high-level summary of initiatives funded by the Regional Partnership Board on the Isle of Anglesey, which represents 10.35% of the total fund (£1.76m during 2023/24) which was used to support 19 services and schemes.

- Support for unpaid carers (£206k)
- Social value services (£505k)
- Capital for small group homes (£655k)
- Capital for Amlwch Wellbeing Hub (£49k)
- Capital for Dementia friendly care home (£115k)
- Capital feasibility South Ynys Môn extra care (£50k) and development of outline business case

Business case for funding Canolfan Glanhwfa (£777k)

The Committee expressed its appreciation of the report and arising from the information provided, the following points of discussion were raised by Members:-

- Questions were raised regarding the effectiveness of outcomes for each intervention and project supported by the Board and the degree to which individuals receive a better quality of life as a result of these interventions. Members also questioned the percentage of spend that goes towards direct outcomes for individuals and the percentage allocated to spend on staffing and back-office support, and the degree to which it is possible to communicate this via a Dashboard on the Board's website. In response it was confirmed that the RPB Support team provide a detailed report on each funding stream on a quarterly basis, with a detailed evaluation provided annually within each Region, to provide assurance.
- The Committee asked about arrangements in place for the Portfolio Member to report back to the Council following key meetings with the Board and other Local Authorities in order to provide an update on key issues. The Portfolio Member for Adult Services' and Community Safety responded to confirm that arrangements are in place to feed back locally to the Service. The Chief Executive proposed an action with the Head of Democratic Services to consider options for the development of a manageable, effective reporting system; any options to be considered at a future meeting of the Group Leaders.
- To what extent has the Board achieved its key priorities for 2023/24. The
 Portfolio Holder responded to confirm that the Board are satisfied with their
 achievements during 2023/24 in order to provide support to ensure a difference
 is made to the lives of individuals. The Dementia Centre in hwb Glan Hwfa hub
 and the Small Group Homes scheme were cited as examples of achievements
 having had a local impact during 2023/24.
- A question was raised regarding accessibility for wheelchair users at the Hwb Cymunedol Glanhwfa Community Hub Dementia Centre. The Head of Adult Services responded to confirm the Service recognises the need for improvement at the Centre which are currently being addressed.
- Questions were raised regarding the need to promote and share the success of the Board and how this may be achieved. The board referred to the establishment of the Good News Story Group which will steer this important area of work per quarter. It was noted that the Board will work collaboratively with the Local Authorities Communication Teams to ensure events and information are widely shared and publicised across the Region.
- How can the Partnership Board contribute towards alleviating some of the
 ongoing challenges and pressures on frontline Health and Social Care Services
 given there is no indication the situation will improve significantly to the medium
 term. In response, Ms Gothorp described the role of the Board in assisting Local
 Authorities to share good practice across the region through collective
 discussion in an attempt to reduce duplication and encourage innovation. The
 Board also continues to promote and champion North Wales for funding
 opportunities.

Having reviewed the North Wales Regional Partnership Board Annual Report 2023/24 and having noted the responses of Officers to the points of discussion raised it was RESOLVED-

- That the Committee confirms it has read, understood and taken into account the work that is required to be undertaken by the Regional Partnership Board.
- That the Committee notes the work and progress in 2023/24 on the work areas that are being taken forward through the North Wales Regional Partnership Board

Additional actions-

- The statutory Director of Social Services with the Head of Adult Services invite the North Wales Regional Partnership Board to create a high level dashboard summarising the percentage of funding spent on direct outcomes for users / the percentage of expenditure on administration per project. The dashboard to be uploaded on the Board's website.
- The Chief Executive with the Head of Democratic Services to consider the propriety of developing a process for our representatives on the Regional Partnership Board to report back to the Council at a high level on outcomes / developments of the Board. Invite the Group Leaders to consider the proposal.

5 CARE INSPECTORATE WALES: LOCAL AUTHORITY IMPROVEMENT CHECK LETTER - ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL ADULT SERVICES

The Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Letter for Adult Services and the Post-Inspection Action Plan by the Director of Social Services and the Head of Adult Services were presented for the Committee's consideration.

The Portfolio Member for Adult Services' and Community Safety introduced this item and referred to attendance by Care Inspectorate Wales at a recent meeting of the Social Services Scrutiny Panel which gave Members the opportunity to ask key scrutiny questions. He provided a brief background to the inspection of Adult Services in June 2024 which highlighted strengths, good practice along with areas for improvement. The inspection work focused on the four principles underpinning the Social Services and Wellbeing Wales Act 2014 together with progress made since the previous inspection completed in October 2022.

The Head of Adult Services confirmed the report was a positive one and demonstrates progress made since the previous inspection against the 11 areas identified for improvement. Five areas have now been fully implemented and the remaining 6 requiring further progress with no specific areas of risk identified by CIW. The Report compares favourably against other Local Authorities in Wales. The improvement plan includes key actions covering the 11 improvement areas identified by Care Inspectorate Wales.

The Chief Executive congratulated the Service on the positive report amid the pressures and challenges faced when providing a service on an Island where the population is ageing.

The Committee expressed its appreciation of the report. In considering the report, the Committee discussed the following key issues in particular:-

- The survey results evidenced that 89% of people felt listened to 'at all times' or 'most of the time' and wanted to know the degree to which the Service have an understanding of why the remaining 11% of people did not feel listened to and what is being done to resolve this. The Head of Adult Services felt the survey results were positive given the challenging nature of the Service and noted the importance of an open and honest ongoing dialogue with Service users from the outset.
- A question was raised about how the Service will continue to improve given the financial challenges we face and availability of Services to meet assessed need and in particular short term or respite care. The Head of Adult Services acknowledged this ongoing challenge, with the Service continuing to endeavour to provide effective care services as close to people's local community as possible. He described an ongoing scenario of increased demand for care services within a context of diminishing funding.
- What plans are in place to monitor progress against the areas that need addressing. The Head of Adult Services responded by recognising the importance of regularly monitoring the work programme to ensure progress within the published timescales. The work programme is currently being monitored on a monthly basis and is assessing how best to use good practice to learn, share and improve.
- The Committee questioned its role in monitoring the work programme and the degree to which any monitoring reports should include examples of how individual actions in the work programme have been implemented. The Chief Executive recommended that a formal update be provided to the Committee in 6 months.
- Members also enquired about the future of the national software system available to support case management, recording and the monitoring of Social Services provision. The Chief Executive advised the Committee of the proposed implementation of a new national software system "Connect in Care" which will replace the current system, working across Health and Social Services. It was proposed that the matter be included for discussion at the Members' Monthly Briefing Session in December, 2024

The Portfolio Member recognised the importance of the Elected Members' role in challenging the Service whilst recognising the good work provided by Officers within the Service.

Having reviewed the report and action plan of the Director of Social Services and the Head of Adult Services and having noted the responses of Officers to the points of discussion raised it was RESOLVED-

• That the Committee have considered the Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement checklist letter in relation to Anglesey County Council's Adult Services, published on the 22nd August 2024.

 That the Committee have offered comment on the report and confirmed that the attached development plan, drafted by the Service reflects the key areas for improvement and how best to assist in supporting the future work of the Service.

Additional actions-

- Officers to provide a formal report to the Committee in 6 months on progress made in implementing the post inspection work programme
- The proposed implementation of the new national software system "Connect in Care" to be included for discussion at the Members' Monthly Briefing Session in December 2024

6 COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS - FINANCE AND EDUCATION SCRUTINY PANELS

Submitted – a report by the Scrutiny Manager in respect of the above.

It was RESOLVED to appoint Councillor Keith Roberts to serve on the Finance Scrutiny Panel.

It was RESOLVED to appoint Councillor leuan Williams to serve on the Education Scrutiny Panel.

7 FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The report of the Scrutiny Manager incorporating the Committee's Forward Work Programme to April, 2025 was presented for consideration.

It was RESOLVED -

- To agree the current version of the Forward Work Programme for 2024/25.
- To note the progress thus far in implementing the Forward Work Programme

COUNCILLOR DOUGLAS FOWLIE
CHAIR



	ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL crutiny Report Template
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny
Date:	19 November 2024
Subject:	Scorecard Monitoring Report - Quarter 2 (2024/25)
Purpose of Report:	To challenge performance
Scrutiny Chair:	Councillor Douglas Fowlie
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Carwyn E Jones, Portfolio Holder for Transformation
Head of Service:	Carys Edwards
Report Author: Tel: Email:	Gwyndaf Parry 01248 752111 GwyndafParry@ynysmon.llyw.cymru
Local Members:	n/a

1 - Recommendation/s

- 1.1 This is the second scorecard for the 2024/25 financial year. It portrays the Council's performance against the strategic objectives outlined in the Council Plan.
- **1.2** The report highlights some of the positive stories with respect to the quarter 2 performance. Some of these highlights include:
 - **1.2.1** 31 businesses have received support from the ARFOR programme.
 - **1.2.2** All the Social Care and Wellbeing indicators are Green against targets.
 - **1.2.3** Attendance for both Primary (93.13%) and Secondary (89.23%) have improved during the first half term (24/25) in comparison with the end of academic year results for 23/24 (91.98% Primary and 87.10% Secondary).
 - **1.2.4** 34 properties have been brought back into use through Empty Homes interventions.
 - **1.2.5** 97.4% of all planning applications have been determined within timescales.
 - **1.2.6** The Council's Fleet now have 34 electric vehicles available to staff, 17% of the entire fleet.
- 1.3 The Committee is requested to scrutinise the scorecard and note the areas which the Leadership Team are exploring and investigating to manage and secure further improvements into the future.

- **1.4** These are recommended as follows:
 - **1.4.1** Education 07) Môn Actif Average number of children undertaking swimming lessons throughout the year
 - **1.4.2** Housing 03) The average number of calendar days to let lettable units of accommodation (excluding DTLs)
 - **1.4.3** Housing 07) The total amount of rent arrears owed by current tenants as a percentage of the total rent collectable for the permanent accommodation
 - **1.4.4** Economy 07) Percentage of high-risk businesses subject to planned inspections that were inspected to ensure compliance with Food Hygiene Legislation
 - **1.4.5** Climate Change 02) Percentage of domestic waste reused, recycled, or composted
 - **1.4.6** Whole Council Health 12) % of FOI requests responded to within timescale
- **1.5** The committee is asked to recommend the mitigation measure outlined above to the Executive

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

Used as part of the monitoring of the Council Plan

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]

4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

4.1. The report states that 85% of the Authority's performance indicators with targets monitored performed well at the end of Qtr2 which is a 9% decline on Qtr1. What are the main reasons for this decline?

- 4.2. Six indicators currently have a RAG status of Red or Amber against their targets. What assurances can be given that the Authority see a sustained improvement in performance by the end of the current financial year?
- 4.3. To what degree does the financial position at the end of Qtr2 create a risk for the Council in 2025/26?

5 - Background / Context

- 5.1 Our Council Plan for 2023-2028 identifies the local needs and wellbeing priorities and sets out our aims and objectives for the next five years.
- 5.2 This scorecard monitoring report is used to monitor the performance of our identified Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in delivering the Council's day to day activities. It provides the intelligence to enable the Council to take a proactive approach to performance management and as such, the report identifies any mitigating actions agreed by the Leadership Team to drive and secure improvements into the future.
- 5.3 The scorecard (appendix 1) portrays the current end of Q2 position and will (together with this report) be considered further by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee and the Executive during November.

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7 – Financial Implications

The end of Q2 financial position is noted in the report.

8 - Appendices:

Appendix A - Scorecard Quarter 2

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

- Council Plan 2023-2028
- Scorecard Monitoring Report Quarter 1



Corporate Scorecard 2024/25

Quarter 2 report

Prepared by - Transformation Service

Publication date: November 2024

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1. Introduction

1.1 The Council Plan 2023-28 identifies six strategic objectives and sets out the key actions and commitments for the next five years.













Welsh Language

Social Care and Wellbeing

Housing

Economy

Climate Change



Council Plan 2023 to 2028

- 1.2 This scorecard monitoring report for 2024/25 is used to monitor the performance of our Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in delivering the council's day to day activities that underpin the delivery of the Council Plan.
- 1.3 A number of KPIs are new, many currently do not have targets and are there to set a baseline, with some data not available until end of the year. Trends are monitored from Q2 during 2024/25 with the aim of setting targets in 2025/26.
- 1.4 It provides the evidence to enable the Council to monitor its performance and to be data informed when identifying any mitigating actions agreed by the Leadership Team to drive and secure performance improvements into the future.
- 1.5 The results within the scorecard are all cumulative and as such a trend column has been made available from Q2 to inform the performance trends from guarter to guarter.
- 1.6 The RAG status for each section of the scorecard, with the exception of financial management which is done from a professional opinion perspective, can be found below:
 - Red more than 10% below target and/or needing significant intervention
 - Amber between 5% & 10% below target and/or requiring some intervention
 - Yellow within 5% of target
 - Green on or above target

2. Overview

- 2.1 The majority (85%) of the indicators with targets monitored during the quarter performed well against targets (Green or Yellow RAG).
- 2.2 Six indicators are currently Red or Amber against targets. They are:
 - 2.2.1 Education 07) Môn Actif Average number of children undertaking swimming lessons throughout the year AMBER 1,807 against a target of 1,900

The current number of Anglesey children on the Nofio Môn Swimming programme is 1,765. Due to a difficulty in recruiting qualified members of staff over the summer, the swimming programme had to be reduced which in turn resulted in a reduction in number of learners when compared to the performance in Q1.

Staff have now been recruited and the service is hopeful that the average attendances will increase during the next quarter as a result.

2.2.2 Housing - 03) The average number of calendar days to let lettable units of accommodation (excluding DTLs) – RED – 49 days, Target – 35 days

The WHQS 2023¹ rules have had an impact on the voids where compliance requirements have increased in many instances. When a property becomes empty, the service takes the opportunity to upgrade the property with the installation of new smoke detectors, PIVs (a device to decrease condensation) and new flooring. The service also takes the opportunity to decorate the properties at this time. However, due to a lack of available contractors and specifically painters, this has resulted in an increase in the number of days that properties are unavailable to let.

To try and alleviate the situation, each property condition is surveyed to see what needs to be done to the property before being available to let. In some circumstances, tenants can agree to take the properties earlier if they are willing to decorate

¹Welsh Housing Quality Standard 2023 | GOV.WALES

themselves. Collaborative action is with Môn CF could improve the situation, specifically with regards to the decorating issues, and a meet the buyer event will be held if further action is required.

2.2.3 Housing - 07) The total amount of rent arrears owed by current tenants as a percentage of the total rent collectable for the permanent accommodation – RED – 3.55%, Target 3.10%

The rent arrears has increased during Q2 mainly due to an increase in the number of Universal Credit (UC) applications from tenants and capacity of the team due to staff absence. The managed migration to UC, where people getting legacy benefits will have their claims transferred to UC, also increases the arrears temporarily due to the way that UC is provided to claimants. The arrears should improve once claims are completed and the method for collecting rent is in place for all UC applicants.

2.2.4 Economy - 07) Percentage of high-risk businesses subject to planned inspections that were inspected to ensure compliance with Food Hygiene Legislation – AMBER – 83%, Target – 90%

44 of the 49 inspections due during Q2 were inspected, which is an improvement on the performance of 71% for Q1. This results in a total of 66 of the 80 inspections (83%) being completed between April and September.

The service will ensure that the target will be achieved during the year by monitoring staff availability to undertake the inspections and redeploying other work if necessary. While catching up on the inspections, the service will prioritise the businesses that have the highest risk to the public in the first instance.

2.2.5 Climate Change - 02) Percentage of domestic waste reused, recycled, or composted - RED - 67.2%, Target 72%

Following the annual closure of Parc Adfer for a few weeks during the summer, it has not been possible to gather accurate data up until now. The data demonstrates that 67.2% of waste was reused, recycled or composted between April and June, and 67.2% was also the result between July and September. These results during the first half of the year, and based of previous trend data, demonstrates that it will not be possible to achieve the statutory target of 70% by the end of 24/25.

To mitigate and to try and improve the rate, the council has recently established a Kerbside Intervention team, with the aim of reducing general waste and increasing recycling by working with the local communities to educate residents. The council has

also established a programme board to discuss what further mitigations can be put in place. Any significant changes identified by the board will be discussed by the Executive and Scrutiny Committees before any changes are made.

2.2.6 Whole Council Health - 12) % of FOI requests responded to within timescale - AMBER - 82%, Target - 90%

There were 156 FOI requests during Q2 with 125 of them responded to within timescale (80%). This brings the total for the period April to September to 330 FOI responded to within timescale out of the 403 FOI requests (82%).

The performance of 82% is better than the 80% achieved in 2023/24 and 72% achieved in 2022/23. The <u>Annual Report of the Senior Information Risk Owner (SIRO)</u>, which was discussed in the Governance & Audit Committee in September, provides more analysis on the key information governance issues. The Council remain committed to increasing the response rate for FOIs, however due to the need to make savings, some reduction in capacity to deal with tasks within the services ensures that the target of 90% remains a difficult one.

- 2.3 Some examples of the good performance seen during the quarter include:
 - 2.3.1 31 businesses have received support from the ARFOR programme.
 - 2.3.2 All the Social Care and Wellbeing indicators are Green against targets.
 - 2.3.3 Attendance for both Primary (93.13%) and Secondary (89.23%) have improved during the first half term (24/25) in comparison with the end of academic year results for 23/24 (91.98% Primary and 87.10% Secondary).
 - 2.3.4 34 properties have been brought back into use through Empty Homes interventions.
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 - 2.3.6 The Council's Fleet now have 34 electric vehicles available to staff, 17% of the entire fleet.

3. Welsh Language



	Q1	Q2	Q2 Target	Q2 RAG	Qtr Trend	Q2 2023/24	Q2 Comments
01) The percentage of jobs advertised by the Council as Welsh level 4 or 5		32%					61 of the 189 jobs advertised
02) The number of officers receiving Welsh language training	43	62			^		
03) The number of complaints suggesting a failure to comply with the Welsh Language Standards	2	4			→		An additional 2 complaints were received between July and September.
04) The number of complaints that were subject to a statutory investigation by the Welsh Language Commissioner	0	0			→		
05) The percentage of visits to Welsh language interface of our main website	8%	7%			Ψ		
06) The percentage of Welsh language responses to official consultations	15%	10%			•		
07) The percentage of followers following the Welsh side of the Council's main social media accounts	23%	23%			→		
08) The number of businesses receiving support as part of the ARFOR programme	15	31			^		
09) The percentage of year 11 pupils studying Welsh [first language]	68.46%					70.4%	Data available in Q3

4. Social Care and Wellbeing



	Q1	Q2	Q2 Target	Q2 RAG	Qtr Trend	Q2 2023/2 4	O2 Comments
01) Number of adults in receipt of Direct Payments	212	226	224	G	^		
02) The percentage of adult protection enquiries completed within statutory timescales	89.36%	90%	90%	G	↑	96%	
03) The percentage of adults who have received advice and assistance from the information, advice and assistance service and have not contacted the service in the following 6 months	94.95%	92.96%	85%	G	•	62%	
04) Number of older people (aged 65 or over) whom the authority supports in care homes	289	320	352	G	Ψ		
05) The percentage of carers of adults who received an assessment or review in their own right during the year following a request	94.30%	95.20%	93%	G	↑	96%	
06) The average length of time for all children who remain on the Child Protection Register as at end of quarter	142	128	270	G	↑		
07) Children Re-Registered on the Child Protection Register within 12 Months of previous removal from the register	0%	0%	15%	G	→		
08) The percentage of referrals of children that are re-referrals within 12 months	7.50%	10.09%	15%	G	4	15%	
09) The percentage of statutory visits to children on the Child Protection Register due in the year that took place in accordance to regulations	94.12%	92.13%	90%	G	•		
10) The percentage of Initial Pathway Plans due in the year that took place within timescales	100%	100%	85%	G	→		
11) Number of visits to leisure centres	130704	252090	25100 0	G	4	223k	
12) Percentage of NERS clients who completed the exercise programme						62%	Data available in Q4

5. Education



	Q1	Q2	Q2 Target	Q2 RAG	Qtr Trend	Q2 2023/24	Q2 Comments
01) Percentage of pupil attendance in primary schools (termly)	91.98%	93.13%	95%	М	^	92%	Data for Q1 is for Academic year 23/24. Data for Q2 is for Academic Year 24/25
O2) Percentage of pupil attendance in secondary schools (termly)	87.10%	89.23%	90%	М	^	87%	
03) Percentage of Year 11 leavers not in Education, Training or Employment [NEET]							Data available in Q4
04) Percentage of Quality Indicators (with targets) achieved by the library service							Data available in Q4
05) Number of schools in Estyn Follow up / Statutory Category	1	0			^		
06) Number of schools with the Eco-schools status	29	29			→		
07) Môn Actif - Average number of children undertaking swimming lessons throughout the year	1847	1806	1900	А	•		Due to difficulties in recruiting qualified swimming instructors, the programme had to reduce the number of lessons during Q2
08) Number of children and young people excluded permanently from school	14	4					4 pupils excluded permanently from Primary and Secondary Schools during this academic year 24/25
09) Number / proportion of schools with a financial recovery plan	6	6			→		

6. Housing



	Q1	Q2	Q2 Target	Q2 RAG	Qtr Trend	Q2 2023/24	Q2 Comments
01) Landlord Services: Average number of days to complete Responsive Maintenance repairs		18	18	G		18	
02) Percentage of tenants satisfied with Responsive Maintenance repairs	88%	88%	85%	G	→		
03) The average number of calendar days to let lettable units of accommodation (excluding DTLs)	26	49	35	С	Ψ		The availability of contractors, particularly painters, has led to an increase in the time to turnaround properties during Q2.
04) Average number of calendar days taken to deliver a Small and Minor Disabled Facilities Grant – Adaptions (<£36k)	185	184	185	G	↑		
05) Average number of calendar days taken to deliver a Major Disabled Facilities Grant – Adaptions (>£36k)	-	222	211	М	Ψ		
Disabled Facilities Grant – Adaptions (>£36k) O6) Number of new Council homes developed, and former Council Homes purchased and brought back into Council rented homes.	22	36	22	G	↑		
07) The total amount of rent arrears owed by current tenants as a percentage of the total rent collectable for the permanent accommodation	3.02%	3.55%	3.10%	С	•		The performance traditionally improves during the second half of the year. The number of tenants on Universal Credit has increased during Q2 which impacted on arrears figures.
08) Number of empty private properties brought back into use through our Empty Homes interventions	16	34	25	G	↑	40	
09) Percentage of households successfully prevented from becoming homeless	83%	90%	85%	G	↑	95%	
10) Number of homelessness applications for assistance (section 62 assessments)	185	294					
11) Number of Households currently placed in Emergency and Temporary Accommodation	85	101					

7. Economy



	Q1	Q2	Q2 Target	Q2 RAG	Qtr Trend	Q2 2023/24	Q2 Comments
01) % of economic and development / regeneration grant funding received and implemented	38%	41%					
02) Percentage of council business units let	86%	90%	70%	G	^		
03) Total number of customers with annual mooring contract	179	201	205	М	4		
04) Percentage of all planning applications determined in time	96.5%	97.4%	90%	G	^	95%	
05) Percentage of planning enforcement cases investigated within 84 days	96.9%	91.7%	80%	G	\	90%	
06) Planning appeals allowed as a percentage of all planning applications determined	1%	0.86%					3 appeals allowed
07) Percentage of high-risk businesses subject to planned inspections that were inspected to ensure compliance with Food Hygiene Legislation	71%	83%	90%	А	↑		90% of the inspections planned for the period July to September were completed. This is an improvement on the 71% for the period April to June.
08) Percentage of food establishments that meet food hygiene standards	98%	98%	95%	G	*	98%	

8. Climate Change



				_Q2	Q2	_Qtr	Q2 2023/2	
	04) T	Q1	Q2	Target	RAG	Trend	4	Q2 Comments
	01) Total carbon emissions from council buildings (tC02e)							Data available in Q4
	02) Percentage of domestic waste reused, recycled, or composted	67.2%	67.2%	72%	С	→	67.77%	Currently, it is unlikely that the annual statutory target of 70% will be met. Further information available in the report
	03) Percentage of waste reused, recycled, or composted from Council buildings	48%	48%			→		
	04) Percentage of streets that are clean	96.6%	97.5%	96%	G	^	95%	
	05) Average number of working days taken to clear fly-tipping incidents	0.04	0.04	1	G		30%	
T	06) Percentage of A roads in poor condition (annual)						3%	Data available in Q3
age	07) Percentage of B roads in poor condition (annual)						2%	Data available in Q3
	08) Percentage of C roads in poor condition (annual)						8%	Data available in Q3
22	09) Total carbon emissions from council fleet (tC02e)	162	320			^		158.28 tCO₂e inc WTT (Well to Tank) used between July and September
	10) Proportion of low carbon (electric) vehicles within the council fleet	12%	17%			↑		
	11) Number of Council operated electric vehicle chargers	49	49			→		

9. Whole Council Health

	RAG	Trend	Budget	Actual	Variance (%)	Forcasted Actual	Forcasted Variance (%)
01) Forecasted end of year outturn (Revenue)	Y	Ψ	£179,739,000			£180,910,000	0.65%
02) Forecasted end of year outturn (Capital)		+	£42,904,000			£36,384,000	-15.20%
03) Income v Targets (excluding grants)	G	^	-£7,335,574			-£8,489,853	15.74%
04) Forecasted general balances at end of year		4				-£10,620,000	
05) Cost of borrowing - % of budgeted revenue expenditure	G	→	2.62%			2.62%	0%
06) No of Services forecast to overspend by over 5% of their budget		Ψ				2	
07) % of Council Tax collected (for last 3 years)	Υ	^		97.90%			
08) % of Sundry Debtors collected (for last 3 years)	Υ	^		93.80%			

			_Q2	Q2	Qtr	
	Q1	Q2	Target	RAG	Trend	Q2 Comments
09) Total number of complaints upheld / partially upheld	7	9	24	G	^	8 Corporate and 1 Social Services
10) Total % of written responses to complaints within 20 days (Corporate)	83%	83%	80%	G	→	10 of the 12 complaints responded to within 20 days
11) Total % of written responses to complaints within 15 days (Social Services)	100%	100%	80%	G	→	
12) % of FOI requests responded to within timescale	83%	82%	90%	A	•	156 FOIAs requested in Q2. This performance is good when compared to other local authorities and public sector organisations
13) Proportion of queries dealt with and closed by Cyswllt Môn (not forwarded to Services)	50%	51%			↑	
14) Number of staff authority wide staff, including teachers and school based staff (FTE)	2406	2397			•	
15) Sickness absence - average working days/shifts lost	2.09	3.93	4.08	G	^	
16) Short Term sickness - average working days/shifts lost per FTE	0.93	1.63			1	
17) Long Term sickness - average working days/shifts lost per FTE	1.16	2.3			•	
18) Local Authority employees leaving (%) (Turnover)						Data available in Q4
19) % of posts advertised and filled during first round of advertising		75%				65 of the 87 vacancies first advertised from January 2024 were filled first time

10. Conclusion and Recommendations

- 10.1 The performance of 85% of the performance indicators performing above target or within 5% tolerance of their targets for the quarter is positive.
- 10.2 It demonstrates that services are operating in line with the values and general principles of the Council.
- 10.3 Recommendation that the Leadership Team manage, investigate and secure improvements into the future for the following KPIs:
 - 10.3.1 Education 07) Môn Actif Average number of children undertaking swimming lessons throughout the year
 - 10.3.2 Housing 03) The average number of calendar days to let lettable units of accommodation (excluding DTLs)
 - 10.3.3 Housing 07) The total amount of rent arrears owed by current tenants as a percentage of the total rent collectable for the permanent accommodation
 - 10.3.4 Economy 07) Percentage of high-risk businesses subject to planned inspections that were inspected to ensure compliance with Food Hygiene Legislation
 - 10.3.5 Climate Change 02) Percentage of domestic waste reused, recycled, or composted
 - 10.3.6 Whole Council Health 12) % of FOI requests responded to within timescale

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL							
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny Committee						
Date:	19 November 2024						
Subject:	Draft Strategic Plan for Môn Actif 2024 – 2029						
Purpose of Report:	Present the draft Plan for comment before it is submitted to the Executive for approval						
Scrutiny Chair:	Councillor Douglas Fowlie						
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Neville Evans, Portfolio Holder for Leisure, Tourism and Maritime						
Head of Service:	Christian Branch Head of Regulation and Economic Development Service						
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Local Members:	Relevant to all members						

1 - Recommendation/s

Members are requested to:

A1 Accept the content of the Môn Actif draft Strategic Plan before it is submitted to the Executive for approval.

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

The Môn Actif Strategic Plan aligns with the Council Plan and will contribute towards its strategic aims and vision. The draft priorities in the Môn Actif Strategic Plan align with the objectives identified in the Council Plan 2023 – 2028, namely:

- The Welsh Language: Increasing opportunities to learn and use the language.
- Social Care and Wellbeing: Providing the right support at the right time.
- Education: Ensuring and effective provision for today and future generations.
- Economy: Promote opportunities to develop the island's economy.
- Climate Change: Responding to the crisis, tackling change and working towards becoming a net zero organisation by 2030.

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

- 1. Why is the Council preparing a strategic plan for Môn Actif?
- 2. How does the Môn Actif Strategic Plan enable the Council to realise the Council's Plan: 2023-2028?
- 3. How affordable is the proposed Strategic Plan?
- 4. What opportunities will come with realising this strategy and what are the main risks and challenges facing the Council and its partners?

5 - Background / Context

The Môn Actif Strategic Plan 2024-2029 is attached. The Plan provides a clear direction and identifies the key priority areas and vision for creating healthy communities over the next five years. The aim is to ensure the Council has an achievable, sustainable and fit for purpose plan, to provide services to improve the health and wellbeing of residents and visitors to the island.

The health and wellbeing benefits of taking part in leisure activities are invaluable. Being physically active is essential for people to live healthy and fulfilling lives, helping to reduce the risk of disease. Uptake at Môn Actif Leisure Centres has been consistent over the past few years, emphasizing their popularity and value. The targets in the Service's Business Plan are also appropriate and support the content of the Strategic Plan. The targets include:

- 500,000 visits to our leisure centres annually
- Over 2,000 children attending swimming lessons
- Over 35,000 children and young people participating in community events

Five priority areas in the Môn Actif Strategic Plan 2024-29 are linked to the wider principles in the Council Plan 2023-28. The five priority areas are:

- Participation, Health and Wellbeing
- Workforce Development
- Facilities Management
- Financial Sustainability
- Collaboration

In developing the Strategic Plan, we have considered the Council's current financial situation, where core and grant funding is in constant decline, together with an increasing demand for services. The Plan highlights our intention to attract external funding and the need for appropriate and timely investments in our Leisure Centres.

A variety of data sources have been used to prepare the Plan and they provide strong evidence regarding the island's needs. Môn Actif will continue to look at data during the five years, to ensure the Council makes correct and informed decisions to play a key role in improving people's health and promoting being active in our communities.

The Môn Actif Management Team and the Môn Actif Subgroup will be responsible for monitoring the Plan's progress and we will engage with users to receive feedback and give everyone an opportunity to have their say on key issues, to provide the best possible service for the residents of Anglesey and visitors. We will also rely on continued support and collaboration with partners to realise the Plan.

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

6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010

The Môn Actif Strategic Plan aims to strengthen and promote equality for the people of Anglesey and staff. We will promote the principles of equality and diversity for people of all backgrounds and circumstances in all aspects of our work.

The Môn Actif Strategic Plan meets the Council's wellbeing aims and realizes the objectives of the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015:

- A prosperous Wales
- A healthier Wales
- A more equal Wales
- A Wales of cohesive communities
- A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

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

The Môn Actif Strategic Plan will help to improve inequalities arising from socio-economic disadvantage, including:

Providing affordable activities at the heart of the community

- Ensuring work plans improve people's health and quality of life.
- Ensuring we listen to services users and give them an opportunity to have their say.

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

No impact.

The Plan notes that there will be an opportunity to use the Welsh language and learn Welsh.

7 – Financial Implications

There will be no financial implications as a direct result of approving the Strategic Plan. The Môn Actif Strategic Plan is linked to other financial Strategic Plans e.g. the Asset Management Strategic Plan 2024-2029.

Môn Actif will make the most of the additional funding to realise the plan and will continue to invest in programmes and develop facilities.

8 - Appendices:

Môn Actif Strategic Plan 2024-2029 (Draft)

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





Môn Actif Strategic Plan 2024-2029

Mae'r ddogfen yma hefyd ar gael yn y Gymraeg /

This document is also available in Welsh.

www.anglesey.gov.wales

Foreword



Councillor Neville Evans Leisure Portfolio Lead



Fôn Roberts
Director of Social Services
and Head of Children &
Families Service



Christian Branch Head of Regulation and Economic Development Service

The health and wellbeing benefits of participating in leisure activities cannot be underestimated. Being physically active is essential for people to live healthy and fulfilling lives, helping to reduce the risk of major illnesses, as well as boosting self-esteem and reducing the risk of stress.

The Council is currently facing significant challenges and as a result, the choices available to the Council and the decisions that need to be made will be very difficult. This Plan has been developed within the context of the whole Council and its partners being committed to working in collaboration on improving health and wellbeing of our residents and visitors.

This plan sets out the Council's priorities over the next 5 years, and despite the challenges, recognises that delivering this strategic plan will be integral to enhancing wellbeing and preventing ill-health. Môn Actif is committed to providing inclusive and accessible activities.

The plan is ambitious, forward thinking and key to moving Môn Actif forward in delivering some exciting improvements that will have wideranging, long term benefits for our residents and visitors.

Purpose of the Strategic Plan

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Anglesey is facing increasing levels of obesity and diabetes, mental health illnesses and other conditions linked to a culture of inactivity. The Môn Actif Strategic Plan aims to creating healthier communities via an integrated whole council approach where collaboration is key.

Despite the current financial challenges, the Council recognises the need for continued investment in our leisure facilities, to improve their efficiency, appeal and performance. Maximising opportunities for external funding will be key.

The Plan supports the Council's vision and strategic objectives to ensure that the future of our leisure provision continues to meet the changing needs of our residents, remains financially sustainable and contributes positively towards its net zero targets. The plan also aligns with the Council's Asset Management Strategic Plan (2024-2029) and supports other initiatives, for example Active Travel, Healthy Schools and Age Friendly Communities.

The island's demographics (2021 Census)



26.5%

aged 65 and over

20.1%

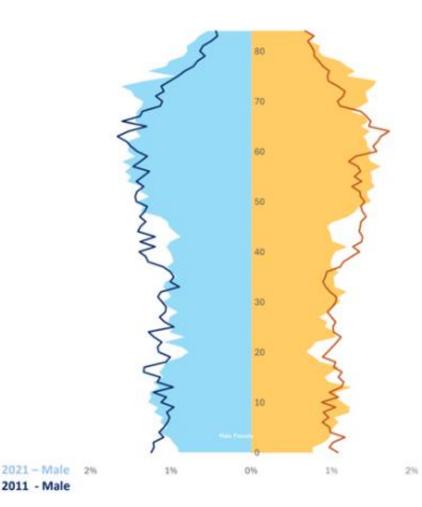
between the ages of 0-17



Population change

2011 compared to 2021 census

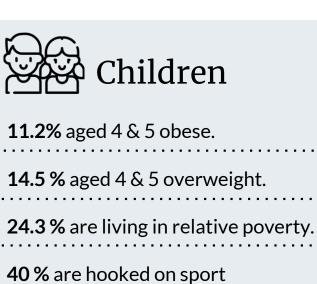
2011 - Male



Data source - ONS.gov.uk

2011 - Female

Anglesey Data



(participate 3 or more times a week outside curriculum time).

17.4 % (aged 11-16) are physically active for at least 60 minutes per day.



Participation

Leisure centre participation **514**,**646** (2023/24)

34,538 children and young people participated in all Môn Actif activities.

12,020 children participated in school holiday activities in 2023

7,500 Môn Actif members.

1,847 children on the Nofio Môn swimming programme



Residents

50.7% describes their health as being very good / 1.1% describes their health as being very bad.

Total estimated people living with Dementia is **1.300**.

18% have high blood pressure.

11.7% 16+ are obese / 34.5% having a healthy weight

39.5% adults meet the national physical activity guidelines.

40.9% 65+ are at healthy weight.

Source: Child Measurement Programme 2022-23, Census 2021, General Medical Services QAIF September 2022, Public Health Wales Observatory, PHOF, SHRN Dashboard, National Survey for Wales (WG), School Sport Survey.

Council Plan 2023-2028 Strategic Objectives

The Council Plan is the key document serving as a focal point for decision-making at all levels; providing a framework to plan and drive forward priorities; shape annual spending; monitor performance and progress.

At its core is our desire to work with Anglesey residents, communities and partners to ensure the best possible services, improve the quality of life for all and create opportunities for future generations.

Its six main objectives reflect the key areas the Council should be focusing its efforts on.

The Council Plan's vision is to:

Create an Anglesey that is healthy and prosperous where people can thrive.



Increase the opportunities to learn and use the language.



Providing the right support at the right time.



Education

Ensuring an effective provision for today and for future generations.



Housing

Ensuring that everyone has the right to call somewhere home.



Economy

Promoting opportunities to develop the Island's economy.



Climate Change

Responding to the crisis, tackling change and working towards becoming net zero organization by 2030.



Council Plan 2023 to 2028 (gov.wales)

Council Plan 2023–2028 – Values

The Council Plan 2023-28 is underpinned by the organisation's core values, which are used to develop and guide the vision, strategic plans and services.



Respect

We are respectful and considerate towards others regardless of our differences.



Collaborate

We work as a team, with our communities and partners to deliver the best outcomes for the people of Anglesey.

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Honesty

We are committed to high standards of conduct and integrity.



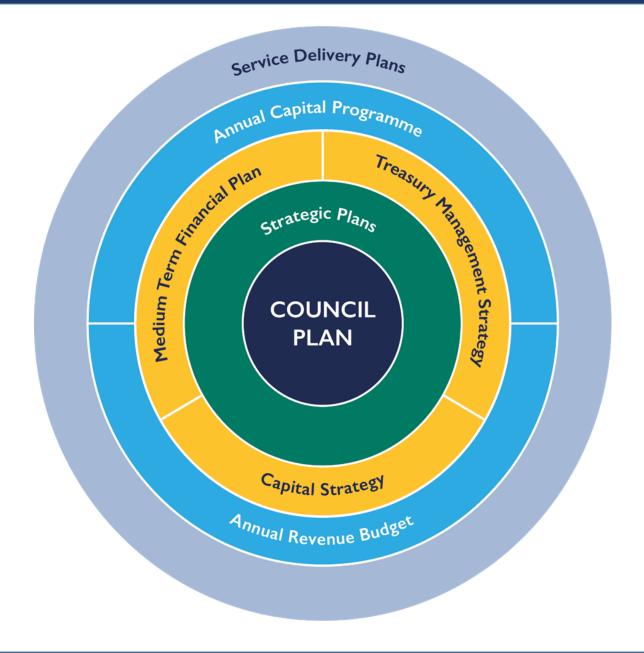
Champion the Council and the island

We create a sense of pride in working for the Council and present a positive image for the Council and the Island.

Strategic circle

The strategic circle identifies the plans in place to ensure we are able to achieve our priorities and objectives.

This plan is a key strategic plan that aligns with the Council's Plan and contributes to the agnievement of the strategic objectives and vigion.



Key priority areas



Budgetary constraints may impact on the County Council's ability to deliver the above.



Participation, Health & Wellbeing

Why is this important?

Activity is a key contributor to good physical and mental health.

Enabling and encouraging people to participate in physical activity will improve wellbeing and prevent ill hall.

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What are we going to do?

- Create the conditions for individuals to improve their health and wellbeing.
- Utilise accessible facilities.
- Maintain the successful children's programme (0-11 years old).
- Deliver a programme of activities to support older people to age well.
- Identify communities in need of support.
- Tackle inequalities through sport and physical activity.
- Ensure that those who belong to protected groups have access to programmes that focus on their specific needs.
- Work with families to reduce obesity in children.
- Collaborate on various initiatives, such as the Food and Fun and family holiday programmes.

How are we going do this?

- Utilise community venues to ensure activities are accessible for all.
- Provide community outreach opportunities.
- Target activities in areas where inequality rates are high.
- Continue to offer high quality, supervised exercise programmes focused on the needs.
- Deliver initiatives such as the Exercise Referral Scheme, Dementia Actif, Sport Development, Insport sessions and the Healthy Weight Healthy Wales programme, PIPYN (Pwysau Iach Plant yng Nghymru)
- Work collaboratively with partners from the Public Service Board.
- Encourage opportunities for intergenerational activities.

Workforce Development

Why is this important?

A sustainable and fully trained workforce will allow Môn Actif to provide a high level of customer care.

A whole Council approach will be integral to ensure effective delivery of this key priority area.



What are we going to do?

- Create a new workforce plan with focus on staff development, training, retention, performance and customer service.
- Raise the profile, and encourage the use of the Welsh language within the workplace.
- Promote a positive working culture.
- Promote career development opportunities
- Maximise the use of modern technology.
- Improve communication.
- Ensure that the workforce have the right skills to deliver this plan.
- Identify talented staff to develop further.

How are we going to this?

- Increase opportunities to learn and use the Welsh Language.
- Develop the workforce and offer appropriate training and opportunities to acquire new skills.
- Offer a range of entry level positions and development programmes.
- Explore new and automated technologies to improve customer care.
- Maximise the use of social media, focus on positive and proactive communication and marketing.
- Annually review the Mon Actif Marketing Plan.
- Allow for customer feedback through regular stakeholder surveys and user group meetings.
- Work with local education providers to match Mon Actif's employment requirements.

Manage Facilities

Why is this important?

Participation in leisure activities should be an enjoyable experience and undertaken in a safe and inclusive environment. All leisure facilities will provide a welcoming space free of any worry and concerns.

Managing facilities effectively and inline with the Asset Management
Strategic Plan 2024-2029 will be crucial to ensure a positive contribution towards our net zero targets.



What are we going to do?

- Provide leisure facilities that are safe and accessible.
- Ensure leisure facilities reflect the changing needs and participation trends of users.
- Improve efficiency, sustainability and performance of all leisure facilities.
- Target investment where it is needed most.
- Comply with Leisure Industry health & safety regulations.
- Monitor and action changes within the NOP (Normal Operating Procedures) and EAP (Emergency Action Plan) for each leisure facility.

How are we going to this?

- Lead on innovative and flexible approaches to modernise facilities.
- Explore all suitable funding opportunities .
- Improve the environmental performance and reduce carbon footprint of leisure facilities, contributing to the Councils net zero targets.
- Manage our leisure facilities in a proactive and efficient way.
- Annually review our health and safety processes and risk assessments.

Financially Sustainable

Why is this important?

Given the current financial challenges, providing affordable services to our users is increasingly important. In addition, the need for continued investment in our leisure facilities is cognized.

We will ensure financial sustainability of our services by improving income, managing costs and maximizing opportunities for external funding.



What are we going to do?

- Enhance the appeal and functionality of our spaces.
- Maintain current usage of our facilities by ensuring customer satisfaction.
- Reduce operational costs by using buildings more efficiently thereby reducing carbon emissions.
- Establish a carbon baseline for our leisure buildings and identify opportunities to decarbonise and consider climate risk.
- Maximise financial gains whilst recognising social and wellbeing benefits.

How are we going to do this?

- Offer a competitive and affordable price structure for our users.
- Maintain and enhance where possible the standard of facilities and opportunities to participate.
- Adopt a flexible and innovative approach to adapting to changing participation trends.
- Identify, secure and maximise capital investment to develop fit for purpose leisure facilities and invest in energy efficiency measures.
- Develop a Mon Actif Capital Funding Plan to drive direction and the decision making process.

Collaboration

Why is this important?

Effective collaboration will enable the sharing of skills and knowledge that will lead to new ideas, mutual gain and the opportunity of access to further resources and improve efficiency.

Qur partners include:

- •☆ Public Health Wales
- BCUHB
- Gogledd Cymru Actif
- Disability Sport Wales
- Grŵp Llandrillo Menai
- Community Sports Clubs
- Community Groups
- Voluntary Sector Groups
- Football Association of Wales (FAW)
- Urdd

What are we going to do?

- Work together with internal and external partners.
- Improve stakeholder collaboration.
- Explore additional resource opportunities to provide long term sustainability.
- Collaborate regionally and nationally and attend stakeholder events.
- Share skills and knowledge.



How are we going to this?

- Adopt a whole Council response to the plan, to ensure collective knowledge, effort and resources.
- Pro-actively work with stakeholders to sustain and improve health and wellbeing, with a strong emphasis on preventative services.
- Attend stakeholder events (locally and nationally).
- Work with external funding partners to provide long term support.
- Work with experienced leisure industry operators to identify innovative approaches and modernisation of services.
- Celebrate positive collaboration and success.

Risks in delivering the plan

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- 1. Rising costs
- 2. Age and condition of facilities
- 3. Staff retention
- 4. Challenges in in achieving net zero
- 5. Budget constraints
- 6. Delivering a better service with fewer resources
- 7. Need to react to unforeseen circumstances

Governance: Monitoring and Evaluation

To ensure the strategic plan is realised we will establish robust arrangements. The arrangements will ensure clarity, accountability, coordination and the structure to monitor progress effectively.

The Môn Actif Management Team and the Môn Actif subgroup will be responsible for reporting on different elements. We will report to the Leadership Team regularly on progress, Executive and Governance and Audit Committee annually or when requested.

Users will be given the opportunity to provide feedback via the Môn Actif User Survey on an annual basis.

Progress will include information on actions, outcomes and the impact highlighting successes and issues.

An annual progress report and review of the strategic plan will be completed.

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template				
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny Committee			
Date:	14 th November, 2024			
Subject:	Local Housing Market Assessment 2023-28			
Purpose of Report:	To scrutinise the Local Housing Market Assessment and recommend its approval			
Scrutiny Chair:	Councillor Douglas M Fowlie			
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Robin W. Williams			
Head of Service:	Ned Michael			
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Local Members:	N/A			

1 - Recommendation/s

The Committee is asked to:

R1- Recommend that the Executive approves the Local Housing Market Assessment 2023-28

R2- Recommend that the Executive approves the consultation process

R3 – Recommend that the Executive delegate authority for Head of Housing Services in consultation with the Housing Portfolio Holder to agree any minor editorial changes required to the draft Local Housing Market Assessment, prior to submission to Welsh Government.

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

The Council's Corporate Plan 2023-28 recognises Housing as one of the strategic aims and ensuring that 'everyone has the right to call somewhere home'.

The Local Housing Market Assessment ties in with the following themes within the Council's Housing Strategy 2022-27:

- Theme 1 Development of the right homes for Anglesey's future
- Theme 2 Making best use of existing housing stock and improving homes and communities
- Theme 3 Preventing housing crisis and increasing housing options
- Theme 5 Homes for longer lives
- Theme 6 Housing is a contributor to the local economy

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 Possible effects this decision could have on:
 - The protected groups under the 2010 Equality Act
 - Those that experience a socio-economic disadvantage in their lives (when making strategic decisions)
 - Opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and not to treat the Welsh language less favourably than English

[focus on equality and Welsh]

4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

- 1. Why does the Local Authority undertake an assessment of the local housing market?
- 2. How will the proposed Local Housing Market Assessment enable the Local Authority to realise the Council Plan: 2023-2028?
- 3. How will the assessment and conclusions inform and influence future housing policies as part of the process of formulating the Local Development Plan?
- 4. What are the key risks and challenges facing the Council and its delivery partners?

5 - Background / Context

1. Background

It is a statutory requirement for local authorities to undertake a Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA). Every five years, local authorities are required to rewrite their LHMAs and refresh their LHMA once during that five-year period (between years two and three). Welsh Government have modified the

methodology used for producing the LHMA. This is now done through a toolkit that allows us to calculate housing needs and demands and ensures a consistent approach across all Welsh local authorities.

The process has taken longer than expected and delays were experienced due to Welsh Government issuing different versions of the LHMA tool. The timeline given by Welsh Government from issuing the toolkit and for submission of the assessment by 31 March 2024 was also not feasible to allow for sufficient data collection which entailed gathering information from key partners as well as different services within the local authority. There were also data limitations to work around as all housing register data is stored by parish council, therefore this needed to be converted to LSOA data, otherwise it could not be utilised within the LHMA tool. The same occurred with planning services and RSL data, which needed to be revised and grouped into the various LSOA's and was a time-consuming process.

The Cyngor Gwynedd's Data Unit were consulted with prior to undertaking the HMA selection consultation. A series of meetings were then required to answer data specific questions that arose prior to and from the consultation exercise. They were able to advise on areas such as the pros and cons of too many or too little HMA's and how data could be skewed in areas of house price data.

Due to the complexity of the LHMA tool it was decided that Data Cymru would be commissioned to support with the data inputting required within the LHMA tool. This also involved regular meetings with Data Cymru who were able to advise on any outstanding or additional data that was required. There was still a requirement for housing services to collect the data and present it to Data Cymru, who were able to ensure that the correct data was entered into the spreadsheet.

2. Purpose of the LHMA

The purpose of a LHMA is to provide a broad analysis of the Isle of Anglesey Housing Market, considering the long-term requirements for housing on Anglesey.

The evidence base within the assessment will also be used to inform the Anglesey Housing Strategy, as well as part of the Local Development Plan (LDP). It also informs strategic housing priorities and local service planning, such as education and transport. The LHMA can also be used as a tool for negotiating affordable housing provision when determining planning applications and allocating Social Housing Grant (SHG) to support the delivery of affordable housing.

As the data collection for the LHMA began in 2023, the five-year period for the LHMA is 2023 -2028.

3. LHMA Tool & Housing Market Areas

The LHMA tool analyses housing needs in specific Housing Market Areas (HMAs) in Anglesey. These HMAs are regions where people typically live and move without changing jobs. Anglesey has nine such areas.

Anglesey's nine HMAs were selected through a consultation exercise with stakeholders in line with Welsh Government guidance. Housing register data presented some limitations to the HMA selection. For example, some areas such as Holyhead could not be split up due to how the housing register data was collected. There was also a requirement to choose from Lower Super Output Areas, Middle Super Output Areas or Electoral Wards. It was decided that LSOA's would be utilised as there was sufficient data available at LSOA level. The final HMA's were grouped together factoring in housing register data and house price data for each LSOA.

The tool provides detailed information about housing needs for each HMA. It uses data from Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs), which are small areas that give a clear picture of local housing trends and needs.

The LHMA tool calculates housing need figures for Anglesey based on three household forecast scenarios: Welsh Government Principal, Higher, and Lower projections. There is an option within the tool to run different scenarios. These scenarios could be based on employment and population growth projections or tied to Replacement LDP projections. As there is limited data at this time with regards to the potential Anglesey Freeport and Wylfa Newydd developments and the Anglesey Local Development Plan (LDP) is due for renewal, no alternative scenarios have been included at this stage.

The current LHMA uses the Welsh Government Principal projection to inform its housing need figures. Once the Replacement LDP is completed and adopted, its figures will guide future reviews of the LHMA, which will be updated accordingly.

4. Consultation

Engagement and consultation has been a key driver during this assessment and has taken place through the following methods:

- Initial engagement to select Housing Market Areas and gather the data that was required for input into the LHMA tool. The housing service along with partner organisations provided data such as; existing stock, stock turnover, planned supply, and all other specific housing need provision data. The initial engagement and data gathering process took place between July 2023 and March 2024.
- 2. **Consultation** Face to face and online sessions were held with key stakeholders on the LHMA tool housing need results. This took place through July, August and September 2024.

A draft report is now ready to be approved with a view to go out to public and key stakeholder consultation. The purpose of this is to provide an opportunity for feedback or provide comments on the LHMA. No direct questions will be asked of respondents, and the purpose is to simply to feedback and comment on the Assessment itself. This will be done online, and the consultation period will be open for a period of four weeks.

Appendix 1 provides a detailed communication plan of all activities that have taken place, along with delivery timescales for the final stages of the LHMA

consultation process and includes a detailed timeline outlining the main deliverables of the Assessment up to the sign-off by Welsh Government in January 2025.

The upcoming timeline is as follows:

Timescales	Activity
14 th November 2024	Corporate Scrutiny Committee
26 th November 2024	Executive Committee
2 nd December 2024 – 13 th January 2025	Online Public Consultation on the draft LHMA.
January 2025	Submit Final LHMA to Welsh
	Government

5. Specific Housing Needs

The LHMA is based on a comprehensive range of statistical evidence, including data on incomes, house prices, rents, household projections, existing unmet housing needs, turnover of existing housing stock and planned supply. The guidance highlights the importance of considering the specific housing needs of the diverse range of households across Anglesey, utilising both qualitative and quantitative data sources.

The LHMA examines the following types of housing or housing-related provisions:

- Accessible and adapted housing provision
- Multi-generational and/or larger family households requiring larger properties
- Non-permanent housing e.g. temporary accommodation
- Housing, care and support needs e.g supported accommodation such as; extra care, sheltered housing, supported living for people with a learning disabilities and refugees
- Locational needs student accommodation or properties with close proximity to shops, places of worship to meet those with physical or cultural needs

Data for a 'specific range of housing need requirements' was gathered from a variety of sources through face to face, online, telephone and email consultation. All stakeholders and staff were given the opportunity to provide feedback that has been considered and included where appropriate within the LHMA.

6. LHMA Results

It is prudent to note that the LHMA assumes that unmet housing needs will be addressed within the first 5 years of the 15-year period. However, it does not factor in affordable housing supply after Year 5 due to delivery uncertainties.

For example, we are not able to confirm if private developments that have been granted planning permission, with units subject to a section 106 will complete within the 5-year period or even complete at all.

	Annual	Annual Gross	Annual Net	Annual Net	5 Year Net
	Gross Need	Need	Need	Need	Need
		Low Cost Home		Low Cost Home	
	Social Rent	Ownership	Social Rent	Ownership	
Principal					
Variant	152	96	73	94	835
Higher					
Variant	163	100	80	99	895
Lower					
Variant	144	92	68	91	<i>7</i> 95

The table above outlines the total annual gross and net need for the first 5 years of the LHMA for each variant. Turnover of existing stock and planned supply is deducted from the gross need to give a net need figure. It is also assumed that the existing housing register waiting list will be cleared within the 5-year period.

Detailed headline findings that give a net need breakdown by bedroom for Anglesey from the LHMA tool are outlined in Appendix 2.

It is also important to note that the figures in the LHMA do not set an affordable housing target or define the number of new homes required. Affordable housing can also be delivered through methods like reusing empty homes or acquiring existing properties.

7. Variant Choice

It is necessary to choose a preference to the 3 variants provided with the LHMA as the evidence base within the assessment will also be used to inform the Anglesey Housing Strategy, as well as part of the Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP). It will also inform strategic housing priorities. The LHMA can also be used as a tool for negotiating affordable housing provision when determining planning applications and allocating Social Housing Grant (SHG) to support the delivery of affordable housing however the choice must be justified.

While consultation feedback strongly favored a preference for the higher variant, it is important to be able to justify this selection. Evidence demonstrates that Anglesey's population has decreased since the last census and the population is also ageing. While potential developments such as Wylfa Newydd and the Anglesey Freeport would inevitably contribute to reversing this trend, it is too early to predict at this moment in time if such developments will result in an population and economic growth. As a result of this it is recommended that the current variant

choice is the principal variant which allows for population growth that is more in line with existing data. The housing need across the three variants presented in the consultation presents a marginal difference and selection of the higher variant would only result in a higher demand for 1 bedroom accommodation.

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

6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010

No negative effect was noted after completion on the EIA.

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

The LHMA will inform strategic housing priorities and support the delivery of affordable housing.

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

No negative effect was noted after completion on the EIA.

7 – Financial Implications

The data within the LHMA presents information on housing need for the next five years. There are no direct cost implications of approving the draft LHMA for submission to Welsh Government.

8 - Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Communication Plan

Appendix 2 – Variant data

Local Housing Market Assessment 2023-28.

Assessment of the Effect on Equalities.

Assessment of the Effect on the Welsh language.

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

Communication Plan for the Local Housing Market Assessment LHMA 2023 - 2028

This communication plan aims to identify key stakeholders and gather feedback to shape the LHMA. The overall strategic objectives will be guided by meeting the aims of the following plans.

- Welsh Government LHMA Guidance
- Rapid Rehousing Transitional Plan
- Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022- 2026
- Anglesey's Housing Strategy 2022- 2027

Stakeholders are outlined in the following plan, along with key messages to communicate, a communication structure, and timelines. Progress and outcomes of this communication plan are regularly updated.

Stakeholder/	Who is responsible to	Purpose and Action	Timeline
Targeted Audience	communicate		and
			Progress
			date
• Welsh	1) Housing Services -	Determine Data Requirements	January
Government	Housing Strategy	A series of meetings were held with the Gwynedd Data Unit to	2023 –
	Officer	determine what data was required for the Welsh Government	August
	2) Gwynedd Data Unit	tool and where this could be sourced. It was advised that CACI	2023
		Paycheck information would be a requirement and it was	Completed
		necessary to become part of the consortium to access the	
		data. This was agreed by housing services.	
• Welsh	1) Housing Services -	Internal Data Requirements	September
Government	Housing Strategy	Regular meetings were held with the housing services	2023 -
	Officer	business support officer From December 20223 to determine	Ongoing

		2)	Housing Services -	how the correct data could be extracted from the housing	
		_,	_		
			Business Support	register. These meetings continued throughout the	
			Officer	production of the assessment as data has been required	
				throughout the process.	
•	Key stakeholders –	1)	Housing Services -	HMA selection	July 2023
	Consultation list is		Housing Strategy	An interactive consultation session was arranged to	Completed
	included below.		Officer	determine which areas would make up the Anglesey HMA's.	
•	Welsh	2)	Planning Policy Unit	The session was held in the town hall in Llangefni and all were	
	Government	3)	Gwynedd Data Unit	given all three data options which included LSOA's, MSOA's	
				and Electoral Wards. Maps of all areas were utilised and pros	
				and cons of each data sources were discussed.	
				All feedback was gathered and then taken back to discussions	
				with the Gwynedd Data Unit so that questions regarding the	
				potential HMA selection could be discussed.	
				It was advised to reduce HMA's from 20 as there were many	
				small HMA's.	
				This was then reduced to 9 and reported back to all who	
				attended the initial HMA selection exercise. It was proposed	
				to move forward with the 9 areas if nobody objected to the	
				reason for reducing them.	
			•		

•	Key Stakeholders	1)	Housing Services -	Final HMA selection	August
	Consultation list is		Housing Strategy	Final HMA Selection – Following advice from the Gwynedd	2023 -
	included below		Officer	Data Unit the Housing Strategy Team finalised the proposed	Completed
				HMA Areas. Consultation took place by email to the original	
				members from the face-to-face session and people were	
				invited to comment if they did not agree with the final	
				proposed HMA areas.	
•	Welsh	1)	Housing Services -	Welsh Government Relationship Manager Meetings	Ongoing
	Government	Housing Strategy		and PDP meetings	
			Officer	Regular meetings are held with the Welsh Government	
				Relationship Manager where progress on the LHMA is also	
				given, along with specific areas are discussed.	
				PDP meetings are also held with the Welsh Government Head	
				of Housing Funding where the PDP schemes are discussed,	
				along with the LHMA.	
•	Anglesey Housing	1)	Housing Services –	Update on HMA selection	19 th March
	Partnership		Housing Strategy	A presentation was given to update members of the	2024 -
			Officer	partnership on the HMA selection, data gathering progress	Completed
				and next steps.	
•	Elected Members	1)	Head of Housing	Elected Members Briefing Session	April 2024 -
			Services	Progress Update was given to members detailing the steps	Completed
				taken to determine which HMA's had been selected for the	

		2)	Housing Strategy	LHMA. This was also an opportunity for any questions to be	
			Officer	asked and answered on the LHMA process.	
•	North Wales Local	1)	Housing Services -	North Wales Regional Meetings	Ongoing
	Authorities		Housing Strategy	The housing strategy officer attended a series of regional	
			Officer	North Wales meeting where the LHMA progress is discussed,	
				and best practice is shared.	
•	Welsh government	1)	Housing Services -	 Housing Occupational Therapist Meeting 	11 th July
			Housing Strategy	An internal meeting was held with the housing service	2024 -
			Officer	occupational therapist to discuss additional housing needs in	Completed
		2)	Housing Services	relation to accessible and adapted accommodation and	
			Occupational	locational needs. Feedback was then documented to utilise in	
			Therapist	section 3 of the report.	
•	Welsh	1)	Planning Policy -	LHMA Data and Progress Meetings	11 th July
	Government		Local Housing	The Local Housing Challenge Officer supported the Housing	2024, 16 th
			Challenge Officer	Strategy officer to interpret the LHMA data. This was done	July 2024,
		2)	Housing Services -	through a series of meetings, some of which were held with	17 th July
			Housing Strategy	Welsh Government Officers to ensure that all data produced	2024, 18 th
			Officer	by the LHMA tool was accurate and could be interpreted	July 2024,
				correctly prior to the consultation sessions.	19 th July
					2024, 23 rd
					July 2024,

					24 th July
					2024 -
					Completed
•	Isle of Anglesey	1)	Housing Services -	Senior Auditor Briefing Session	25 th July
	Council Senior		Housing Strategy	A presentation was given to the Senior Auditor on the LHMA,	2024
	Auditor		Officer	it's process, the data collection and tool data.	
•	Welsh	1)	Housing Services -	Progress meetings	Ongoing
	Government		Service Manager for	Regular meetings were held with the Service Manager for	
			Housing, Strategy,	Housing, Strategy, Commissioning & Policy to track progress	
			Commissioning &	of the LHMA, along wit it's timeline. Any issues encountered	
			Policy	would be highlighted and potential delays discussed so that	
				timeframe amendments could be agreed.	
		2)	Housing Services -		
			Housing Strategy	The Welsh Government are also updated on progress and this	
			Officer	process is ongoing.	
•	Anglesey Council	1)	Service Manager	Presentation/Q&A Session	July 22 nd
	Chief Executive		Housing,Strategy,	An online session was held with the Anglesey Council Chief	2024 -
			Commissioning &	Executive to discuss the LHMA data and progress to date. A	Completed
			Policy	detailed discussion was held and feedback was given on the	
				planned pending consultation sessions.	

		2)	Housing Strategy		
			Officer		
•	Housing Services	1)	Housing Strategy	LHMA Tool – Data consultation	July 2024 -
•	Social Services		Officer	Once all LHMA tool data was finalised, consultation sessions	Complete
•	Planning Policy	2)	Planning Policy Unit	were arranged with internal departments and partner	
	Committee			organisations to present all of the variant data on housing	
•	Planning Policy			need, explaining each of the tool projections. Additional	
	Unit			housing needs were also discussed for the 5 additional areas	
•	Regulation and			that were not covered by the tool. The purpose of this was to	
	Economic			capture key issues that each department/external partners	
				encounter in these areas.	
•	Anglesey Housing	•	Housing Services	Final Update on LHMA	October
	Partnership			A presentation will be given on the report and the data	2024
				produced by the LHMA tool.	
•	Elected Members	•	Housing Services	Final Update on LHMA	November
	Briefing Session			A presentation will be given on the report and the data	2024
				produced by the LHMA tool.	
•	Anglesey	•	Housing Services	Public and Key Stakeholder Consultation	December
	Residents			Public and Key Stakeholder consultation on the draft Local	2024 –
•	Key Stakeholders			Housing Market Assessment. Feedback on the assessment will	January
				be welcome. The process will take 5 weeks.	2025

		No
		progress to
		date.

Key stakeholders & Partner Organisations

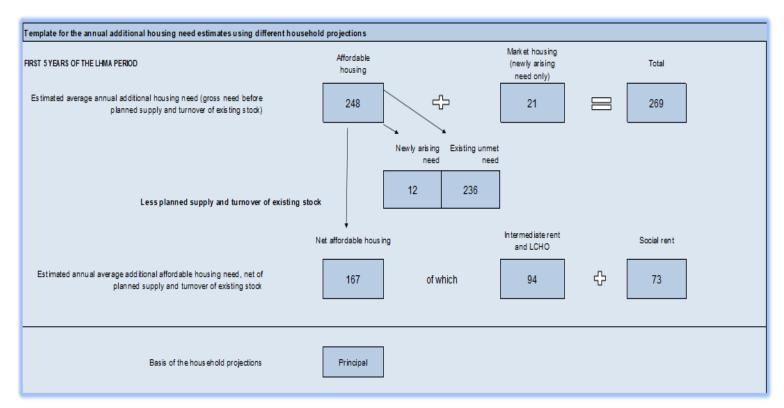
Grwp Cynefin	Medrwn Mon	Children's Services
Anglesey Housing Partnership	AMP Construction	Economic and Regulation
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Anglesey Council Housing Support	Children's Services
Housing Services	Local Members	Planning Committee Members
Hafan Cefni	Private Landlord Association	Elected Members
Digartref Ynys Mon	Public Protection	Chief Executive
Gwynedd Data Unit	Planning Policy	The Wallich
Data Cymru	Adult Services	Stori Cymru
North Wales Housing	Shelter Cymru	Substance Misuse
Clwyd Alyn	Penucheldre	Catrefi Cymru
Adult Services	Williams & Goodwin	Beresford Adams
Peter Richardsons	Eiddo Cyf	Burnells
Lucas Estate Agents	Purple Bricks	Egerton Estates
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Household Projection Options

Principal Variant

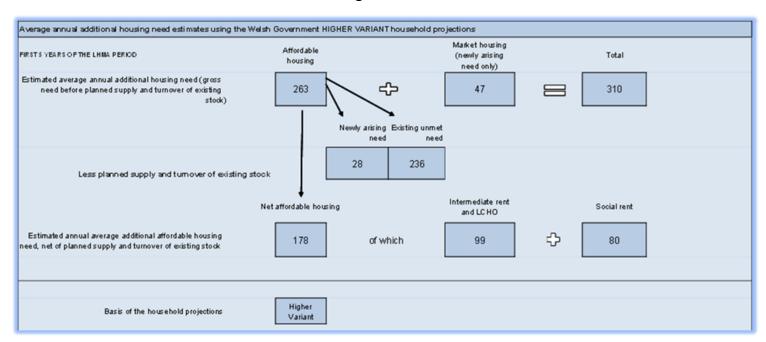


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					(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	65	3	-	5	73	31	63	167
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	15	-	-	2	18	9	21	47
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	19	-	-	1	20	9	12	41
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	5	3	6	14
South West Anglesey	2	-	-	0	2	1	3	6
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	10	3	-	1	13	3	8	25
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	-	-	0	6	3	6	15

Amcangyfrifir mai'r angen blynyddol net am yr holl dai fforddiadwy yw 167 uned, sy'n cynnwys 73 ar gyfer rhent cymdeithasol, 31 ar gyfer rhent canolradd, a 63 ar gyfer perchentyaeth cost isel. Mae'r galw mwyaf o fewn y categori rhent cymdeithasol am gartrefi ag 1-yatafell wely, sef 65 uned y flwyddyn.

The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated to be 167 units, consisting of 73 for social rent, 31 for intermediate rent, and 63 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 65 units per year.

Higher Variant

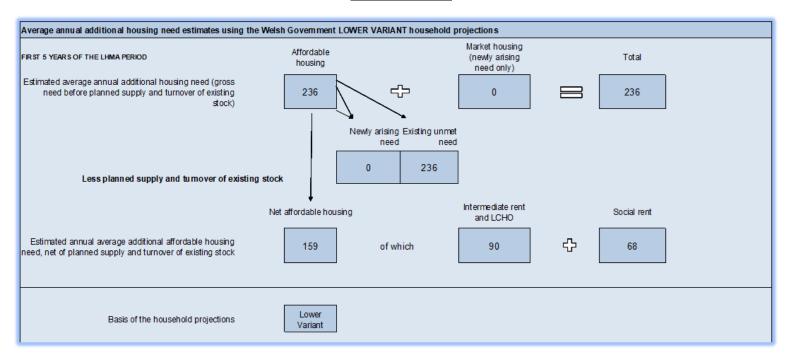


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					(a)+(b)+(c)+			(h)=(e)+(f)+
					(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	71	3	-	6	80	33	66	178
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	18	-	-	3	20	9	22	52
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	21	-	-	1	22	9	13	44
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	6	3	6	15
South West Anglesey	2	-	-	0	2	1	3	6
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	10	3	-	1	14	3	8	26
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	-	-	0	6	3	6	15

Amcangyfrifir mai'r angen blynyddol net am yr holl dai fforddiadwy yw 178 uned, sy'n cynnwys 80 ar gyfer rhent cymdeithasol, 33 ar gyfer rhent canolradd, a 66 ar gyfer perchentyaeth cost isel. Mae'r galw mwyaf o fewn y categori rhent cymdeithasol am gartrefi ag 1 ystafell wely, sef 71 uned y flwyddyn.

The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated at 178 units, consisting of 80 for social rent, 33 for intermediate rent, and 66 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 71 units per year.

Lower Variant



	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
HMA	one	two	three	four+	Social	Intermediate	LCHO	Affordabl
	bedroom	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	rent	rent		e Housing
					, , , , , , ,			" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
					(a)+(b)+(c)+			(h)=(e)+(f)+
				_	(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	61	3	-	5	68	30	61	159
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	14	-	-	2	16	8	20	44
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	17	-	-	1	18	8	12	38
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	5	3	6	14
South West Anglesey	1	-	-	0	2	1	3	5
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	9	3	-	1	13	3	8	24
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	-	-	0	6	3	6	15

Amcangyfrifir mai'r angen blynyddol net am yr holl dai fforddiadwy yw 159 uned, sy'n cynnwys 68 ar gyfer rhent cymdeithasol, 30 ar gyfer rhent canolradd, a 61 ar gyfer perchentyaeth cost isel. Mae'r galw mwyaf o fewn y categori rhent cymdeithasol am gartrefi ag 1 ystafell wely, sef 61 uned y flwyddyn.

The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated at 159 units, consisting of 68 for social rent, 30 for intermediate rent, and 61 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 61 units per year.



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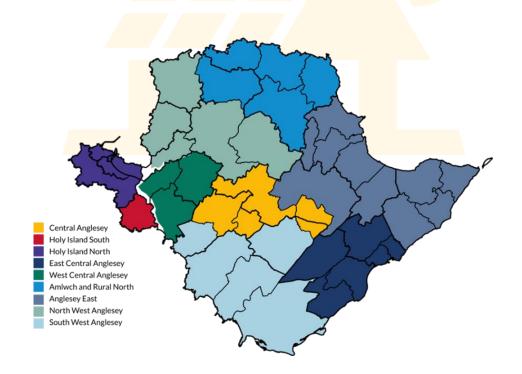
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Executive Summary

This Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) explores housing need on the Isle of Anglesey and supports the Housing Strategy, Local Development Plan (LDP), and service planning. It helps negotiate affordable housing provision and allocate Social Housing Grant (SHG).

The Welsh Government's LHMA tool assesses housing needs, splitting them between affordable and market housing. It uses data on rents, house prices, income, and housing supply to estimate future demand, guiding local housing strategies.

As part of the assessment, Anglesey is divided into 9 Housing Market Areas (HMAs), which are defined based on where people currently live and are likely to move. The HMA's are Central Anglesey, Holy Island South, Holy Island North, East Central Anglesey, West Central Anglesey, Amlwch and Rural North, Anglesey East, North West Anglesey and South West Anglesey. These areas are not limited by administrative boundaries but reflect functional regions influenced by commuting patterns and local preferences. The HMAs are statistically defined using clusters of Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs), and this division helps provide a more accurate understanding of local housing demand. Each HMA has its own distinct characteristics, such as housing affordability, transport access, and demand trends, which inform housing strategies for the island.



The housing needs of various groups are essential to the Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA), as households often have overlapping requirements. While certain areas may not be considered urgent for the island, others—particularly the need for temporary accommodation—are already pressing concerns and are projected to increase.

Section 3.3 of the report provides a qualitative overview of housing-related needs on Anglesey. The aim here is not to specify the exact number of properties needed but to highlight current pressures and guide local strategic planning focusing in areas such as:

- a) Accessible and adapted housing provision
- b) Larger properties for multi-generational and/or bigger families
- c) Non-permanent accommodation
- d) Housing care and support needs
- e) Locational needs for individuals with physical and cultural requirements

These tables also emphasise policies, strategies, and insights from housing services and other departments, rather than relying solely on numerical data.

The affordability of housing is a key consideration in the LHMA, with income-to-house price ratios serving as a key metric. House prices on Anglesey have risen due to its popularity, but higher mortgage rates are now slowing down the market, which may also slow price growth. At the same time, average incomes remain lower than in urban areas of Wales or the UK, exacerbating affordability challenges.

The income-to-house price ratio compares median household income to median house prices, and typically, a ratio above 4 is considered unaffordable. In Anglesey, the average ratio is 7.2, significantly higher than North Wales (5.8) and Wales as a whole (6.1). This indicates that housing is less affordable on Anglesey than in many other parts of Wales. Within the island, there is considerable variation across regions:

- Holy Island North is the most affordable, with a ratio of 4.7.
- South West Anglesey shows the highest affordability stress, with a ratio of 8.1, indicating that housing is considerably out of reach for many local residents.
- Even at the lower end of the market, affordability remains a concern in many areas. For example, the **lower quartile house price-to-income ratio** on Anglesey is as high as **10.7** in South West Anglesey.

These affordability challenges are particularly severe for lower-income households and first-time buyers. The lack of affordable housing in certain areas suggests that many residents are being priced out of the market, leading to increased demand for rental properties and potential outward migration.

The Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) provides detailed projections of housing needs for Anglesey, based on Welsh Government's principal household projections over a 15-year period. For the first five years, the LHMA estimates an average annual gross need of 248 affordable housing units, which includes 236 units

addressing existing unmet demand and 12 units for newly arising needs. After accounting for planned supply and turnover of existing housing stock, the **net need is calculated at 167 units per year**. This breaks down into 73 social rent units, 31 intermediate rent units, and 63 low-cost homeownership properties, with the highest demand for **one-bedroom social rent units**, **requiring 65 per year**.

The LHMA further explores the housing needs beyond the initial five-year period. **For the remaining 10 years**, additional housing demand continues to be assessed, projecting that any unmet need from the first period will be resolved. However, there is uncertainty surrounding supply predictions beyond year five, given the potential for shifts in economic and demographic conditions. The total net affordable housing need over the entire 15-year LHMA period combines data from the first five years and the subsequent 10 years, providing a comprehensive outlook for housing demand on the island.

While the projections reflect an effort to meet current and future housing demand, it is unlikely that all unmet needs will be fully addressed within the first five years. The LHMA refresh will incorporate alternative growth options, considering population increases due to potential major developments like the Freeport and Wylfa Newydd projects,

Despite Anglesey experiencing a population decline between 2011 and 2021, the **principal projection remains the most appropriate model** due to its steady growth assumptions. A higher growth variant was considered during consultation, but the principal projection aligns better with recent population trends. Future updates to the LHMA will reassess population and economic growth scenarios as conditions evolve.

The demand for affordable housing, particularly one-bedroom social rent units, remains exceptionally high. This trend could be influenced by factors such as post-COVID homelessness, cost-of-living pressures, and disproportionate Local Housing Allowance (LHA) rates. Despite this demand, there is limited development of one-bedroom properties, prompting considerations for more flexible housing solutions.

The LHMA serves as a strategic tool for planning and development, ensuring that housing supply addresses immediate and long-term needs. It will guide future decisions on housing types—such as a balanced mix of houses, flats, and bungalows—and tenures, helping the Council foster resilient and sustainable communities.

While new builds are one strategy to meet housing demand, other approaches like repurposing empty homes, purchasing existing properties, and partnering with private landlords are also crucial. The LHMA is not a strict target for affordable housing construction but a framework for delivering diverse housing solutions.

Looking ahead, the Replacement Local Development (LDP) will play a pivotal role in managing growth effectively. With significant infrastructure projects like the Freeport and Wylfa Newydd poised to attract new residents, the LDP will focus on ensuring that residential developments, particularly affordable and high-density housing near employment hubs like Holyhead, align with both local and national planning goals. The



LHMA will continue to be a key reference in balancing housing supply with economic and population growth, supporting sustainable development across Anglesey.



Preface

It is a statutory requirement for local authorities to undertake a Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA). Every five years, local authorities are required to rewrite their LHMAs and refresh their LHMA once during that five-year period (between years two and three).

Local authorities can refresh their LHMAs more frequently if required but these would not be reviewed nor signed off by Welsh Government.

Version 3.2 of the Welsh Government LHMA tool has been used to complete this LHMA.

Whilst the estimate in this LHMA will inform the development plan, it is unlikely to directly equate to a housing requirement or the affordable housing target in a development plan. It will, rather, provide a snapshot of the scale of affordable housing likely to be required in Anglesey. As such, the tenure mix of affordable housing required within a particular scheme should reflect the findings of the latest LHMA unless a planning applicant can satisfy the Local Authority that their proposed mix better satisfies an identified need.

1 Introduction

This Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) provides a broad analysis of the Isle of Anglesey Housing Market, considering the long-term requirements for housing on Anglesey. The evidence base within the assessment will also be used to inform the Anglesey Housing Strategy, as well as part of the Local Development Plan (LDP). It also informs strategic housing priorities and local service planning, such as education and transport. The LHMA can also be used as a tool for negotiating affordable housing provision when determining planning applications and allocating Social Housing Grant (SHG) to support the delivery of affordable housing.

1.1 National Policy Background

- Section 8 of the Housing Act 1985¹ Section 8 of the Housing Act 1985 places a statutory duty on local authorities to periodically assess the level of housing need in their area. It is vital that authorities have a comprehensive understanding of their local housing market(s) and provide a robust evidence base for effective strategic housing and planning services. Production of an LHMA falls under this duty, building upon the requirement to review housing needs through a more holistic review of the whole housing market. Local authorities are expected to rewrite LHMAs every five years and refresh that LHMA once during that five-year period (between years two and three) utilising section 87 of the Local Government Act 2003².
- Independent Review of Affordable Housing Supply³ The importance of LHMAs and using the best possible data on housing need and demand to inform housing policy and decisions regarding affordable housing supply, was underlined in the 2019 Independent Review of Affordable Housing Supply. The Review placed significant emphasis on understanding exactly how many homes are needed, in which geographical areas and in what tenures. A robust LHMA is the key means of identifying this evidence at the local level.
- Planning Policy Wales Planning Policy Wales (12th edition)⁴ also stresses that LHMAs form a fundamental part of the evidence base for development plans. Considered together with other key evidence in relation to issues such as what the plan is seeking to achieve, links between homes and jobs, affordable housing need and Welsh language considerations LHMAs are a useful tool to help in identifying an appropriate strategy for the delivery of housing in the plan area. LHMAs allow local planning authorities to understand the nature and level of demand and need for market and affordable housing within the Plan area. Development plans must include a target for affordable housing which should be based on the LHMA.

¹ Housing Act 1985 (legislation.gov.uk)

² Local Government Act 2003 (legislation.gov.uk)

³ independent-review-of-affordable-housing-supply-report 0.pdf (gov.wales)

⁴ Planning Policy Wales - Edition 12 (gov.wales)

- Housing (Wales) Act 2014⁵ The LHMA plays a fundamental role in informing this strategy which must include a review of the resources available to the local authority and other bodies associated with supporting people who are or may become homeless.
- Equality Act 2010⁶ It is essential also for local authorities to consider their equality duties under the Equality Act 2010 and the Welsh Public Sector Equality Duties.
- Future Wales: National Plan 2040 is the national development plan that outlines the framework for addressing key national priorities. Policy 7 focuses on delivering affordable housing and requires Local Authorities to establish robust policy evidence frameworks to support the development of affordable housing.
- Renting Homes (Wales) Act (2016)⁷ Implemented from 1 December 2022, this changed the way all landlords in Wales rent their properties, affecting all social and private tenants. It has made it simpler to rent a home and protect tenants' rights by replacing various complex pieces of existing legislation with one legal framework and new 'occupation contracts'.
- Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015⁸ This Act is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. Public bodies need to make sure that when making their decisions they take into account the impact they could have on people living their lives in Wales in the future. The Act puts in place seven well-being goals. Public Service Boards must also conduct an assessment of local wellbeing.

1.2 Local Policy Background

The LHMA can help us to understand the estimated future housing need on Anglesey and can be used as an evidence base to inform both current and future plans and strategies that are relevant to the LHMA. These include:

⁵ Housing (Wales) Act 2014 (legislation.gov.uk)

⁶ Equality Act 2010 (legislation.gov.uk)

⁷ Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016 (legislation.gov.uk)

⁸ Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 – The Future Generations Commissioner for Wales

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Housing – ensuring that everyone has the right to call somewhere home.

Strategic objective number 4 within the plan emphasises the Council's commitment to working in partnership to provide quality, affordable and accessible homes. The plan outlines the Council's commitment to ensuring an increase in the choice and number of homes available for the island's residents, together with assisting households to purchase their first homes and utilising the LHMA to help achieve this by 2028.

Isle of Anglesey County Council Social Housing Grant Prospectus 2023/24

The prospectus provides a summary of housing needs and aids in informing strategic housing priorities. It details the type of housing the Council aims to deliver using the Welsh Government Social Housing Grant to meet these priorities, ensuring that the right kind of affordable housing is developed in the right locations.

Anglesey and Gwynedd Joint Local Development Plan (JLDP)¹⁰

The introductory paragraph to the chapter on the Supply and Quality of Housing states:

"The Plan is expected to deliver one of the Government's key housing goals that aims to ensure that more housing of the right type be provided and that more choice should be provided. The creation of a healthy and balanced housing market is also a key objective of both Councils, and together with other strategies and programmes being undertaken by the Councils and other organisations, the Plan should ensure the use of land supports the delivery of sustainable communities which in turn helps to sustain or strengthen the well-being of the Welsh language. Failing to do this will undermine the Councils' economic strategies and restrict our ability through the planning system to secure affordable housing to meet the very acute needs of many communities."

This is embodied in Strategic Policy PS16 (Housing Provision) which states:

> STRATEGIC POLICY PS 16: HOUSING PROVISION¹¹

Based on the level of anticipated housing need, balanced against deliverability, environmental and landscape constraints, economic and demographic prospects, and potential demographic profile, the Councils will make provision for a requirement for 7,184 housing units between 2011 and 2026. This requirement will be met by identifying opportunities for around 7,902 housing units to enable a 10% slippage allowance.

⁹ Council Plan 2023 to 2028 (gov.wales)

¹⁰ Anglesey-and-Gwynedd-Joint-Local-Development-Plan-Written-Statement.pdf (llyw.cymru)

¹¹ Microsoft Word - 11 Chapter 6.4 Strategic and Detailed Polcies - Housing Newidiadau (anglesey.gov.uk)

A constant minimum 5-year supply of housing land will be maintained by allocating land and facilitating development on windfall sites and by using existing buildings.

This level of growth is distributed in accordance with Strategic Policy PS 17 and Policies TAI 1 to TAI 6 and will be monitored on an annual basis via the Joint Housing Land Availability Studies and the Annual Monitoring Reports.

The JLDP will expire in 2026 and work in relation to preparing a Replacement Local Development Plan (Replacement LDP) for Anglesey is currently at an embryonic stage.

Anglesey Housing Strategy 2022 - 27¹²

The overall aim of the strategy is to ensure that the people of Anglesey have a place to call home and are empowered and supported to contribute to their local community.

The following 6 key themes will help achieve this aim:-

- Theme 1 Development of the right homes for Anglesey's future
- Theme 2 Making best use of existing housing stock and improving homes and communities
- Theme 3 Preventing housing crisis and increasing housing options
- Theme 4 Support to promote housing independence
- Theme 5 Homes for longer lives
- Theme 6 Housing is a contributor to the local economy

Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan 2022-2027¹³

The Welsh Government's vision for homelessness is to ensure that it becomes 'rare, brief, and unrepeated'. Anglesey Council aims to align with this vision and has adopted a Rapid Rehousing approach to homelessness. This approach emphasises the prevention of homelessness and, when prevention is not possible, the provision of appropriate, stable housing and support through various models. The goal is to minimise reliance on emergency housing solutions.

Key components of Anglesey Council's Rapid Rehousing Plan include:

- 1. **Prevention Efforts**: Identifying and addressing the root causes of homelessness before individuals and families lose their housing.
- 2. **Rapid Rehousing**: Quickly moving individuals and families experiencing homelessness into permanent housing, bypassing extended stays in temporary accommodation.
- 3. **Support Services**: Offering comprehensive support services tailored to the needs of individuals and families to help them maintain their housing and avoid future homelessness. Providing trauma-informed support for those with complex needs.
- 4. **Diverse Housing Models**: Utilising a range of housing models to meet the varied needs of the homeless population, ensuring stability and appropriateness of housing.

¹² Anglesey Housing Strategy 2022 to 2027 (gov.wales)

¹³ Rapid Rehousing Plan (gov.wales)

5. **Collaboration**: Working closely with local organizations, housing providers, and support services to create a cohesive and effective system for addressing homelessness. Delivering coordinated services through a multi- agency hub.

This approach seeks to create a sustainable, supportive environment that prevents homelessness wherever possible and ensures that when it does occur, it is a brief and non-recurring experience.

The Rapid Rehousing Plan aligns with the broader goals of the Housing Strategy 2022-27 and the Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022-26. By focusing on these strategic areas, IoACC aims to reduce the impact of homelessness.

"To ensure that the people of Anglesey have a place to call home, are empowered and supported to contribute to their local community".

Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022-2026¹⁴

HSG is an early intervention grant programme to support activity, which prevents people from becoming homeless, stabilises their housing situation, or helps potentially homeless people to find and keep accommodation. The Strategy sets out the strategic direction for homelessness prevention and housing support on Anglesey.

Some of the key findings from the light touch mid-point review of the Needs Assessment identified include:

- The 2021 Census Data confirms that the population of residents over 65 has increased by 4.1% since 2011 which remains in line with the expectation that services for older people will continue to be on the rise. The difference between the census carried out in 2011 and 2021 shows that the average age on Anglesey has increased from 45 to 48.
- Temporary accommodation placements are likely to remain relatively stable in Wales.
- Local data implies that domestic abuse services are increasing. Between April 2019 March 23, across 4200 referrals Domestic Abuse accounted for 7.45%
- Highlighted in the <u>Draft Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2024-2034</u> is the need for good quality, affordable and safe housing to support mental health. Linked to this is the SPOA data that during April 2022- March 2023, 535 of 1002 people stated they had a mental health need, and predictions also suggest that Mental Health problems will increase by 2040. Strengthening links with Mental Health services is also recognised by the Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group (RHSCG)
- Complexities of individuals are increasing.
- Prison population in Wales is expected to increase between 2025 and 2027 which will contribute to an increase in caseloads for Housing Options and housing related services.
- SPOA referral data continues to highlight issues with both drug misuse and alcohol abuse. Data shows a minor reduction in both categories in comparison to 21-22.

¹⁴ Housing-Support-Programme-Strategy-2022-to-2026.pdf (gov.wales)

- January 2022 to September 2023 significant increase for single person with no children / single person with children/ couples with children who were accessing the Housing Support Service
- Affordability and supply remain an issue.
- Applicants registered with Tai Teg has more than doubled from 311 to 685 in comparison to the data collected for the 2022 Needs Assessment, the majority requiring 2 and 3 bedroomed intermediate rent and affordable properties to purchase.
- Property prices on average on Anglesey continue to increase if prices on the Isle of Anglesey continue to rise by 5.0% a year, the average property price will be £295,548 in 2025.
- 161 households were booked into temporary accommodation.
- Gwynedd and Anglesey Well-being Plan 2023-28¹⁵

Housing prices and affordability were identified as major concerns amongst local communities and was considered to likely to have a negative impact on the social, cultural, linguistic and economic well-being of areas on Anglesey. Ensure housing for local people is a key priority concluded within the plan.

¹⁵Gwynedd & Anglesey Well-Being | Well-Being Assessment (llesiantgwyneddamon.org)

1.3 Governance and Consultation

- The Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) Guidance (2022) states that the production of a LHMA should be undertaken through a collaborative approach with stakeholders. Anglesey Council adopted a collaborative approach, working with a wide range of stakeholders. The production of the LHMA was led by the Anglesey Council's Housing Service and was prepared by the Housing Strategy Team, with contributions from the Planning Policy team.
- Gwynedd Council's Planning Service and Research Team and Anglesey Council's Planning Policy Team provided advice before and after the HMA selection exercise and Data Cymru were then commissioned to provide assistance with the LHMA tool, key assumptions and Census Data production.

Table 1: Consultation

Consultation	Method	Stakeholders	Date
HMA Area Selection – An engagement event was held to select Housing Market Areas. This was an interactive session where maps for LSOA's, MSOA's and Electoral Wards were used. Discussions were held on the data available and a wish list of HMA's was produced for further assessment and advice to be sought before final selection.	Face to Face	Local Estate Agents, Registered Social Landlord's, Developers, Private Landlord Forum Chairperson and other stakeholders.	July 2023
Final HMA Selection – Following advice from the Gwynedd Data Unit the Housing Strategy Team finalised the proposed HMA Areas. Consultation took place by email to the original members from the face- to-face session and people were invited to comment if they did not	Email	Local Estate Agents, Registered Social Landlord's, Developers, Private Landlord Forum Chairperson	August 2023

agree with the final			
proposed HMA areas.			
Presentation on progress to date.	Online - Zoom	Elected Members	April 2024
Progress Update	Online	Chief Executive	July 22 nd 2024
Scenario Consultation Sessions. Data produced by Data Cymru from the LHMA	Face to Face	Planning Board and Planning Policy Committees.	26 th July 2024 a.m.
Tool was presented in consultation sessions and discussion were held to determine people's views on the various assumptions. Background to the various options was also presented so that informed choices could be made.	Face to face	Economic and Regulation Department	26 th July 2024 p.m.
	Face to face	Housing Department	29 th July 2024
	Face to face	Social Services	29 th July 2024
	Online	Education	20 th August 2024
	Face to face	Registered Social Landlords and Rural Housing Enablers	31 st July a.m
		HSG Providers, medrwn mon, estate agents,	31 st July p.m
	Online	Senior Leadership Team	15 th October 2024
LHMA Presentation	Online	Anglesey Housing Partnership	24 th October 2024

LHMA Presentation	Online	Members Briefing	7 th
		Session	November
			2024
Draft LHMA		Executive	12 th
		Committee	November
		Business Meeting	2024
Draft LHMA		Corporate Scrutiny	14 th
		Committee	November
			2024
Draft LHMA		Executive	26 th
		Committee	November
			2024
Draft LHMA	Online	Public Consultation	6 Week
			Period
Final LHMA		Final Approval	January
			2025
Final LHMA		Submit to Welsh	January
		Government	2025

Following the public consultation period all feedback will be considered, and any required changes will be made to the final document.

The final Internal sign-off for the Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) will take place following Cabinet approval. The LHMA will then be submitted to the Welsh Government for final approval.

2. Overview of Assessment and Methodology

2.1 Methodology, inputs and assumptions

Additional housing need is determined using the Welsh Government's LHMA tool. This tool uses a formula-based approach to distribute additional housing needs, formed by existing unmet needs and new emerging needs (the change in household projections during the LHMA period), in different mandates.

All existing unmet needs are allocated to affordable housing and are assumed to be met for the first five years of the LHMA period. The new needs are split between market housing and affordable housing.

The LHMA Tool uses default data inputs for private rents, house prices, and Welsh Government household projections to generate newly arising needs by HMA. These inputs are enhanced with CACI Paycheck data (household income distributions), existing unmet need (Common Housing Register), planned committed supply (planning consents and expected grant-funded schemes), and turnover of existing stock (average social lettings over three years). The latter two inputs are considered only for the first five years of the LHMA period and fully allocated to affordable housing due to less accurate supply predictions beyond this period.

Several key assumptions are applied to the input data in line with Welsh Government Guidance. This process establishes an income threshold above which households are considered capable of meeting their needs in the market and a lower threshold below which households are deemed to require social rented accommodation. Additionally, provisions are made for households needing intermediate tenures, often referred to as 'the squeezed middle,' who do not qualify for market housing or social rented accommodation. The LHMA Tool also predicts how these data inputs may evolve over the first five years of the LHMA period.

The output tables from the LHMA Tool play a crucial role in several aspects of local housing planning and strategy for Anglesey. They provide estimates of additional housing needs that are essential for informing the local housing requirements. These estimates are a fundamental part of the evidence base used in developing Development Plans and implementing RLDP (Regional Local Development Plan) policies. They also contribute significantly to shaping local housing strategies and supporting the SHG (Strategic Housing Growth) Prospectus of the local authority.

The following key points must also be emphasised:

- 1. **Not a Delivery Target:** The identified housing need should not be misconstrued as a delivery target. It represents the scale of housing need within Anglesey, indicating the extent of demand that the Council aims to address through various interventions.
- 2. Addressing Affordability Issues: The housing need identified does not directly solve affordability issues within the locality. While it highlights the demand for housing, addressing affordability requires additional strategies beyond simply meeting the numerical housing need.

- 3. **Variations Across HMAs:** The headline level of housing need provided by the LHMA Tool can sometimes obscure differences between various Housing Market Areas (HMAs) across Anglesey. Each area may have distinct challenges and requirements that need to be considered separately.
- 4. **Mismatch in Existing Affordable Units:** There is often a mismatch between the locations and types of existing affordable housing units and the specific housing needs of local households requiring housing assistance. This mismatch underscores the need for targeted interventions that align more closely with local demand.

In summary, while the LHMA Tool outputs are valuable for understanding and quantifying housing needs, they are part of a broader framework of evidence and planning. The ultimate goal is not just to meet numerical targets but to address housing challenges comprehensively, including affordability and local variations in demand.

2.2 Housing Market Areas

Housing Market Areas (HMAs) are defined geographically based on where people presently live and would be willing to relocate without changing jobs. This acknowledges that housing markets transcend administrative boundaries. Key considerations in defining these areas include housing affordability (to assess market accessibility) and major transport links by road or rail (to account for commuting patterns). When planning new housing, factors such as land availability, economic feasibility, vacancy rates, and housing demand must also be taken into account.

The Isle of Anglesey, a significant Travel to Work Area (TTWA), greatly influences its local housing market. The Anglesey Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) must address the diverse needs of the workforce and support economic growth. With employment sectors including agriculture, tourism, manufacturing, and energy, the island has varied housing demands. Many residents commute to and from the mainland, impacting housing demand near transport hubs like the Menai and Britannia Bridges. Improving transport infrastructure is vital for easier commuting and increased housing demand in well-connected areas. The LHMA must also attract and retain skilled workers from emerging high-tech and renewable energy sectors while maintaining affordability for traditional sector workers. Balancing economic growth with environmental preservation is crucial, necessitating sustainable housing solutions. Addressing supply shortages through new developments and ensuring housing remains affordable for local workers is essential. Enhancing transportation links and investing in public services like schools, healthcare, and recreational facilities will support growing communities. Anglesey's TTWA status significantly influences its housing market, and the LHMA should ensure diverse, sustainable, and affordable housing to support both economic growth and community well-being.

For this assessment, the Isle of Anglesey has been divided into 9 Housing Market Areas (HMAs). These areas have been grouped geographically based on the functional regions where people currently live and are willing to move, recognising that housing markets are not constrained by administrative

boundaries. They are statistically defined by clusters of Lower Super Output Areas (LSOAs) and are summarised in the table and map below for reference.

Table 2: HMA Areas & LSOA Codes

Areas Included	LSOA(s)	Areas Included	LSOA(s)
Holy Island North Parc a'r Mynydd, Porthyfelin 2, Porthyfelin 1, Holyhead Town, London Road, Morawelon, Kingsland and Maeshyfryd	W01000034, W01000037, W01000036, W01000016, W01000029, W01000033 W01000017, W01000030	Amlwch & Rural North Amlwch Port, Amlwch Rural, Llanbadrig and Llaneilian	W0100003, W0100004, W01000018, W01000021
North West Anglesey Llanerchymedd, Llanfaethlu and Mechell	W01000028, W0100022, W01000031	East Central Anglesey Llanidan, Llanfihangel Ysceifiog, Cadnant, Braint, Gwyngyll, Tysilio	W01000027, W01000025, W01000011, W01000008, W01000015, W01000042
Central Anglesey Cyngar, Tudur, Cefni, Bryngwran and Bodffordd	W01000014, W01000041, W01000012, W01000009, W01000006	Holy Island South Valley 1 & Trearddur 1 and Trearddur 2	W01002007, W01000040
West Central Anglesey Llanfair yn neubwll 2, Valley 2, Llanfair yn neubwll 1	W01000024, W01000044, W01000023	Anglesey East Pentraeth, Brynteg, Llanbedrgoch, Llandyfnan & Moelfre, Llangoed, Cwm Cadnant and Beaumaris	W01000035, W01000010, W01000019, W01002005, W01000026, W01000013, W01000005
South West Anglesey Aberffraw & Rhosneigr 1 & 2, Bodorgan, Rhosyr	W01002008, W01000007, W01000038		

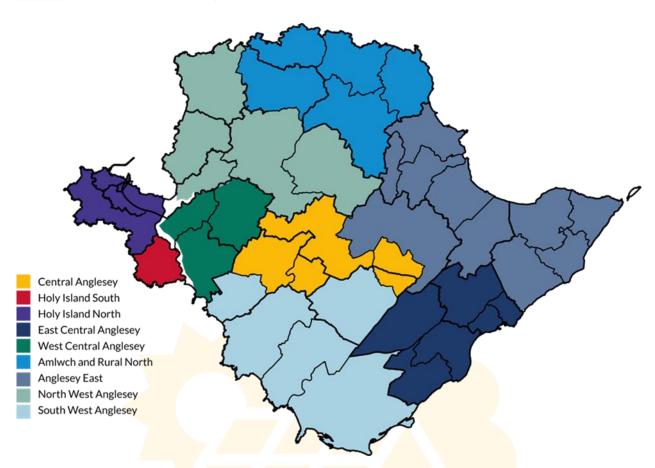


Figure 1: Map of Isle of Anglesey divided into 9 HMAs

3. Overview of Housing Market and Socio-economic and Demographic Trends

3.1 Housing Market Analysis

The following section provides a comprehensive overview of the local housing market within the local authority, highlighting factors influencing the housing sector.

Anglesey is the largest island in Wales and the seventh largest in the British Isles. It covers an area of approximately 276 square miles (715 square kilometres). Located off the northwest coast of Wales, it is separated from the mainland by the Menai Strait, which is spanned by two bridges: the Menai Suspension Bridge and the Britannia Bridge. The island's mostly rural landscape is characterised by rolling hills, agricultural land, and a rugged coastline, with numerous beaches and small coves. Despite its relatively small size, Anglesey holds significant historical and cultural importance in Wales.

As of the 2021 Census, the population of Anglesey was recorded at approximately 68,900. This reflects a slight decrease compared to the 2011 Census, where the population stood at around 69,800. The island is characterized by a predominantly rural setting, with its largest town, Holyhead, having a population of around 11,000. Anglesey is also known for its significant Welsh-speaking population, with about 57.2% of residents able to speak Welsh, underscoring its cultural importance. The population distribution shows an ageing trend, with a higher proportion of elderly residents compared to national averages.

Households

The 2021 census identified 30,800 households across the Isle of Anglesey, with a population of 68,900. These figures demonstrate a population size that has decreased by 1.2%, from around 69,800 in 2011. The total population of Wales grew by 1.4%, increasing by 44,000 to 3,107,500.

The average household size on Anglesey was 2.23 residents per household in 2021, which is slightly smaller than in 2011, when it was 2.29. This reflects a slight decline over the decade. In 2021, Anglesey's average household size was one of the smaller figures among local authorities in Wales.

The housing tenure landscape for the island presents as a varied distribution of housing arrangements which are as followed:

Occupancy Ratings

Occupancy Ratings, Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021

	+2 or more	1	0	-1 or less
Holy Island North	1,098	2,043	1,399	123
	35%	37%	26%	2%
North West Anglesey	1,078	715	318	50
	50%	33%	15%	2%
Central Anglesey	1615	1,342	779	86
	42%	35%	20%	2%
West Central Anglesey	759	582	281	31
	46%	35%	17%	2%
South West Anglesey	1277	966	460	35
	47%	35%	17%	1%
Amlwch & Rural North	1,579	1,157	547	38
	48%	35%	16%	1%
East Central Anglesey	2,136	1,546	730	59
	48%	35%	16%	1%
Holy Island South	821	449	191	23
	55%	30%	13%	2%
Anglesey East	2,987	1,852	805	59
	52%	32%	14%	1%
Isle of Anglesey	14,161	10,652	5,507	502
	46%	35%	18%	2%
North Wales	108,363	99,406	57,176	5,607
	40%	37%	21%	2%
Wales	561,237	467,208	288,937	29,732
	42%	35%	21%	2%

Table 3: Occupancy Ratings, Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Occupancy rating is a measure used to evaluate whether a household's living space is appropriately sized for its occupants. It indicates if a household is overcrowded, under-occupied, or meets the

accommodation requirements based on the household composition. The formula considers the ages and relationships of household members to determine the number of rooms or bedrooms needed.

The calculation involves comparing the number of required rooms/bedrooms to those actually available:

- Negative occupancy rating (-1 or lower): The household has fewer rooms/bedrooms than required, indicating overcrowding.
- Zero occupancy rating (0): The household has exactly the number of rooms/bedrooms needed, meeting the standard requirement.
- Positive occupancy rating (+1 or higher): The household has more rooms/bedrooms than required, indicating under-occupation.

This measure can be used by housing authorities to assess housing adequacy and prioritize households that might need re-housing or modifications to better suit their needs.

The Census 2021 occupancy ratings table above demonstrates that much of Anglesey's population are not living in overcrowded accommodation for their household size. 18% of Anglesey households are living in a property that is the correct size for their household, with 81% of households deemed to be living in households that are too large for their household size and 2% of households living in overcrowded households which is 502 households living in overcrowded properties.

Household composition

	One-person household	Single family household: All aged 66 years and over	Single family household: Couple family household	Single family household: Lone parent household	Other household types
Holy Island North	37%	7%	34%	18%	4%
	2,020	408	1,868	970	210
North West	28%	13%	43%	9%	6%
	607	288	930	202	135
Central Anglesey	33%	10%	41%	12%	4%
	1,244	385	1,559	465	166
West Central	28%	12%	44%	11%	4%
	466	193	728	189	74
South West	32%	14%	40%	9%	5%
	873	393	1,085	249	139

Amlwch & Rural	33%	14%	39%	11%	4%
	1,088	456	1,281	351	144
East Central	34%	12%	40%	10%	4%
	1,525	518	1,810	437	180
Holy Island South	32%	18%	38%	9%	4%
	475	261	560	134	61
Anglesey East	33%	18%	37%	8%	4%
	1,893	1,004	2,119	468	216
Isle of Anglesey	33%	13%	39%	11%	4%
	10,189	3,901	11,938	3,466	1,328
North Wales	32%	11%	40%	12%	5%
	86,813	30,092	108,830	31,293	13,521
Wales	32%	10%	40%	12%	6%
	429,559	138,010	542,346	161,836	75,363

Table 4: Household Composition 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

The table above demonstrates that the island has a very large older population with the number of single-family households all aged 66 years and over being per capita higher than the national percentage. Furthermore, there is also a high number (10,189) of one person households accounting for a third of all households jointly alongside couple family households (11,938).

Households by Tenure

Tenure indicates whether a household owns or rents the accommodation it lives in. The 2021 Census data has been used in the table below:

	Owned: Owns outright	Owned: Owns with a mortgage or loan or shared ownership	Social rented: Rents from council or Local Authority	Social rented: Other social rented	Private rented: Private landlord or letting agency	Private rented: Other private rented or lives rent free
Holy Island North	30% 1655	24% 1307	1090	7% 391	16% 861	3% 162

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North West Anglesey	49%	24%	12%	2%	10%	4%
	1053	509	252	44	213	90
Central Anglesey	38%	25%	18%	6%	10%	4%
	1439	961	681	228	377	138
West Central Anglesey	41%	28%	7%	3%	12%	9%
	680	464	113	54	201	142
South West Anglesey	48%	22%	11%	2%	13%	4%
	1315	611	294	51	344	123
Amlwch & Rural North	47%	22%	12%	3%	13%	3%
	1548	744	391	93	436	108
East Central Anglesey	47%	27%	9%	2%	12%	3%
	2086	1210	412	80	533	145
Holy Island South	53%	23%	9%	1%	10%	3%
	794	339	131	19	153	52
Anglesey East	56%	21%	7%	1%	11%	3%
	3187	1205	417	77	619	197
Isle of Anglesey	45%	24%	12%	3%	12%	4%
	13,756	7,349	3,783	1,037	3,735	1,162
North Wales	40%	28%	10%	6%	14%	3%
	107,693	74,802	25,816	16,521	38,315	7,405
Wales	38%	28%	9%	8%	14%	3%
	512,089	382,110	116,637	105,456	194,845	35,977

Table 5: Household Tenure 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Overall, 45% (13,756) of Anglesey's households own their home outright which is 7% higher than the national average, however owned with a mortgage or loan is 4% lower at 24% (7349) compared to national and North Wales figure at 28% (74,802). Furthermore, the island also has a large percentage of households who rent from the local authority at 12% (3783), which is higher than the North and the whole of Wales.

HMA Anglesey East has the highest proportion of people that own their home outright at 56% (3187), with West Central Anglesey having the highest proportion of people who own their home with a mortgage or through shared ownership household tenure at 28%, accounting for 464 households. Total social rented is highest in Holy Island North at 27% (1481), followed closely by Central Anglesey 24% (909). Social rented tenure is the lowest in West Central Anglesey 10% (167) and Anglesey East 8%

(494). The HMA accounting for the highest proportion of Private rented is Holy Island North at 19% (1023) and the lowest are seen in the Central Anglesey, Holy Island South and North West Anglesey. Holy Island North is 4% higher than that of Anglesey as a whole and 2% higher than North Wales and Wales as a whole for renting in the private sector.

Overview of Owner Occupier Sector

The owner occupier sector accounts for the most popular tenure on Anglesey. 69% of households either own their own home outright or with a mortgage/shared ownership. Ownership figures for Wales stand at 66% and 67% for North Wales, therefore Anglesey's home ownership is higher than that of the national average.

Low-cost home ownership options cater to households unable to afford market-rate housing. These options include, Shared equity, Homebuy, Discounted S106 and Rent to Own, all provided at reduced costs and allocated through the Affordable Housing Register, managed by Tai Teg.

Tai Teg is administered by Grŵp Cynefin who facilitate access to these schemes for eligible applicants. Applicants must meet specific income criteria and demonstrate a local connection through residence, employment, or family ties. As of January 2024, there were 271 applications for assisted home ownership.

Area	Detached	Flats	Semi-Detached	Terraced	Total
Central Anglesey	44	2	27	19	92
Holy Island South	32	6	7	6	51
Holy Island North	12	5	33	97	147
East Central Anglesey	53	10	36	31	130
West Central Anglesey	30	0	17	10	57
Amlwch and Rural North	49	2	26	30	107
Anglesey East	123	14	20	39	196
North West Anglesey	28	0	10	10	48
South West Anglesey	43	4	19	19	85
Total	414	43	195	261	913

Table 6: Number of registered sales by accommodation type (2022)

Source: Land Registry Price Paid data

The above table gives an overview of registered sales broken down by HMA during 2022. It is important to note that not every house sale is immediately registered with the Land Registry, and some transactions may experience delays in being recorded. Despite this, it is still the most complete source of house price data in the UK. Anglesey East saw the highest number of registered sales, followed closely by Holy Island North and East Central Anglesey, accounting for more than half of the Islands registered sales.

Median house prices by accommodation type (2022)

	All house types	Detached	Flats	Semi- detached	Terraced
Holy Island North	130000	220000	170000	169000	115000
North West Anglesey	262500	352500	-	220000	131250
Central Anglesey	222500	285000	83000	185000	145000
West Central Anglesey	200000	264000	-	152000	112500
South West Anglesey	280000	330000	303000	207000	205000
Amlwch & Rural North	207000	295000	85500	168750	134975
East Central Anglesey	230500	345000	236500	193250	155000
Holy Island South	375000	440000	207500	320000	347500
Anglesey East	313875	360000	201250	204000	195000
Isle of Anglesey	231000	317500	200000	180000	135000

Table 7: Land Registry Median House Price Data 2022

Source: Land Registry Median Price Paid Data

The table above displays the median average cost of properties in each region based upon previous and recent sales. Popular second home ownership areas such as Southwest Anglesey have very high prices with flats being as high as £300,000 whereas in contrast Amlwch and rural north have a much lower median price for flats at £85,000.

The total average median price for a home on Anglesey is £231,000 which is £18000 higher than the national average which is £213,00 16 .

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• Income to House Price Ratio

The income-to-house price ratio is an important metric for assessing housing affordability in a specific area, such as Anglesey. This ratio compares the median household income to median house prices in the region, providing an insight into whether homes are affordable for local residents.

Current Trends in Anglesey

- 1. House Prices: Anglesey has seen varying house prices, coupled with substantial rising mortgage rates, impacting peoples affordability of housing. In addition, factors such as scenic location, tourism, and overall demand has had an effect on the market.
- 2. Income Levels: The average income in Anglesey may be lower than in some urban areas of Wales or the UK. This can exacerbate the affordability issue, especially if house prices continue to climb.

Affordability Analysis

- Ratio Calculation: The income-to-house price ratio is calculated by dividing the median house price by the median household income. A ratio above 4 is often considered less affordable, while a ratio below 3 is generally seen as more affordable.
- Implications: Higher ratios can indicate that local residents are struggling to afford homes, which may encourage demand for rental properties or outward migration.

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Holy Island	£129,290	£98,883	£27,500	4.7	£12,500	7.9
North		·				
North West	£206,171	£145,346	£32,500	6.3	£17,500	8.3
Anglesey						
Central	£185,109	£143,628	£27,500	6.7	£17,500	8.2
Anglesey						
West Central	£158,213	£114,210	£32,500	4.9	£17,500	6.5
Anglesey						
South West	£263,029	£187,878	£32,500	8.1	£17,500	10.7
Anglesey	C405.407	6400.440	600 500	F 7	647.500	7.
Amlwch & Rural	£185,406	£133,443	£32,500	5.7	£17,500	7.6
North East Central	£222,487	C150 212	C27 500	5.9	£22,500	7.0
Anglesey	£222,407	£158,213	£37,500	3.7	£22,500	7.0
Holy Island	£264,572	£182,934	£37,500	7.1	£22,500	8.1
South	2204,372	2102,704	207,300	/.	222,300	0.1
Anglesey East	£271,929	£197,766	£37,500	7.3	£22,500	8.8
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Isle of Anglesey	£232,000	£150,000	£32,158	7.2	£18,545	8.1
North Wales	£190,000	£143,000	£32,500	5.8	£17,500	8.2
Wales	£190,000	£136,000	£31,348	6.1	£17,922	7.6
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The data shows significant variation in housing affordability across the Isle of Anglesey. Holy Island North is the most affordable region, with a relatively low median house price-to-income ratio of 4.7, indicating that homes are more accessible to local residents. In contrast, South West Anglesey has the highest ratio (8.1), making housing considerably less affordable for its residents.

Even at the lower end of the housing market, there are affordability challenges. Holy Island North still faces issues for lower-income households, with a lower quartile house price-to-income ratio of 7.9. However, South West Anglesey stands out with a particularly high ratio of 10.7, suggesting that even cheaper properties in this region are well out of reach for lower-income buyers.

When comparing Anglesey to North Wales and Wales as a whole, the housing market on Anglesey appears less affordable. The Isle of Anglesey has a median price-to-income ratio of 7.2, which is higher than the 5.8 ratio for North Wales and 6.1 for Wales, highlighting that housing is more expensive relative to local incomes on the island.

The data points to significant housing stress, especially for lower-income households and first-time buyers. In regions like South West Anglesey, where house prices are high relative to incomes, there is a clear affordability gap, making it harder for local residents to access the housing market.

This suggests a need for targeted interventions, such as increasing the supply of affordable housing and offering support to first-time buyers, particularly in areas like South West Anglesey, where affordability issues are most severe.

In the table below Gwynedd County Council's Research Unit analysed house sales on Anglesey for 2023. The table above shows the affordability ratio based on both median and lower quartile House prices and Household income for Anglesey. (The data is only based on income and does not factor in other measures such as savings available to put towards the purchase of a home). This table shows that 61.6 of households on Anglesey would be priced out of the market due to their income not meeting the required level of affordability.

A recent report published online¹⁷ shows that Anglesey has 8 out of the top 20 most expensive places to live in Wales from data covering January 2023 – 2024. The LL64 postcode, which is the Crigyll ward was the most expensive with an average price of £625,435 for that area.

Area Name	No. of House Sales	Median House Price	Median Household Income	Median Ratio	Lower Quartile House Price	Lower Quartile Household Income	Lower Quartile Ratio	Income Required to afford entry level price (1/3.5x LQ)	Households priced out of market (No.)	Households priced out of market (%)
Anglesey	636	£220,000	£34,180	6.4	£150,750	£19,692	7.7	£43,071	19,097	61.6

Table 9 – Anglesey – Percentage and Number of Households Priced Out of Market

Source - Gwynedd Council Research Unit: 2023

¹⁷ The 20 cheapest and most expensive places to live in Wales - North Wales Live (dailypost.co.uk)

Overview of the Private Rented Sector

Since November 2015, all landlords with privately rented properties in Wales were legally required to register with Rent Smart Wales ¹⁸ in order to let properties on a domestic tenancy. Registrations last for five years, after which landlords must renew for another five-year term. While landlords can choose to end their registration early, many simply allow it to expire if they cease letting out their properties.

As of April 2024, there were 1,990 landlords registered with Rent Smart Wales in Ynys Môn (Anglesey), potentially managing 3,753 rental properties. However, it is unclear whether all these properties are currently being rented out or occupied, as some landlords may have decided to use their properties for other purposes during the five-year registration period. This makes it difficult to confirm the exact number of active rental properties at any given time.

Data from Office of National Statistics show the average monthly private rent on the Isle of Anglesey was £625 in March 2024^{19} . This was an increase from £591 in March 2023, a 5.9% rise.

Across Wales, the average monthly rent was £727, up from £667 a year earlier, and across Great Britain, the average rent price in March 2024 was £1,246, which was up from £1,142 in March 2023.

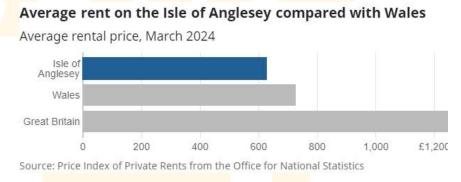


Figure 2: Average rent on Isle of Anglesey

The figure of £625 seems relatively low for the cost of private sector rents, however the data does not specify the size or type of property the average rent applies to.

Overview of the Social Rented Sector

Social rented housing in Wales is provided by local councils and registered social landlords at affordable rates for those unable to rent or buy on the open market. Regulated by the Welsh Government, it ensures affordability, quality, and fair management. Housing is allocated based on need, prioritising urgency and local connection.

Existing Anglesey Social Housing Stock Information:

¹⁸ Welcome to Rent Smart Wales - Rent Smart Wales (gov.wales)

¹⁹ Housing prices on the Isle of Anglesey (ons.gov.uk)

The table below shows the current social housing stock information for the Island, includes general needs, extra care, older person's accommodation and supported accommodation.

	1 bed	2 bed	3 bed	4 bed	5 bed	6 bed	TOTAL
Isle of Anglesey County Council	759	1439	1686	84	12	3	3983
Grwp Cynefin	127	217	264	17	2	1	628
Clwyd Alyn	52	205	143	15	0	0	415
North Wales Housing	48	96	66	11	0	0	221
TOTAL	986	1957	2159	127	14	4	5247
%	19%	37%	41%	2%	0.50%	0.50%	100%

Table 10: Current Social Housing Stock by Registered Social Landlord

In 2021, the Isle of Anglesey was ranked 12th-highest out of the 22 Welsh local authority areas for the percentage of social renting. In 2011, it was ranked 14th-lowest. The Isle of Anglesey saw Wales' largest percentage-point rise in the proportion of households in the social rented sector from 14.7% in 2011 to 15.6% in 2021.

Table below shows the current rent charged for council owned social housing and the increase in rents over the last five years.

Flats (£)

Bedsits

										(2)
Target	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	5+ Bed	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4+	Bedsit
Rent (51									Bed	
Weeks)										
Collection										
2020-2021	£88.18	£97.98	£107.78	£117.56	£127.36	£79.78	£88.65	£97.51	£106.37	£70.92
2024-2025	£101.47	£112.74	£124.04	£135.28	£146.55	£91.80	£102.01	£112.21	£122.40	£81.60
Rent	£13.29	£14.76	£16.26	£17.72	£19.19	£12.02	£13.36	£14.70	£16.03	£10.68
increase										
Increase	15.07%	15.06%	15.09%	15.07%	15.07%	15.07%	15.07%	15.08%	15.07%	15.06%
as %										

Houses and Bungalows (£)

Table 11: Social Housing rent levels charged by Ynys Mon Council

Intermediate Rent

Intermediate rent is a mid-market rental housing solution and is also available and administered through the Tai Teg Affordable Housing Register. As with the low co midmarket rental housing solution st home ownership applicants must meet specific income criteria and demonstrate a local connection through residence, employment, or family ties. As of January 2024, there were 214 applications for Intermediate Rent.

Overview of Second Homes

The issue of second homes and holiday homes in Wales and their impact on the Welsh-speaking community has been a topic of debate in recent years. According to the 2021 Census data, second home use across Wales stands at 5.2%. What needs to be taken into consideration is that the Census does not capture all properties as "holiday homes" or short term lets - it is based on properties being used as a second address for 30 days a year or more.

The definition of a second home or holiday let is as follows: -

- Short term holiday accommodation: A dwelling house not permanently occupied and is let for holiday use on a commercial basis.
- Second homes: A dwelling house used by the owner occasionally (but is not their main place of residence), together with other visitors for holiday purposes.

In November 2023 a total of 3715 dwellings on the island were classed as either second homes or holiday lets. This equates to 10.41% of the total homes on Ynys Mon.

Coastal areas have a higher proportion of second homes, mainly located in popular tourist destinations.

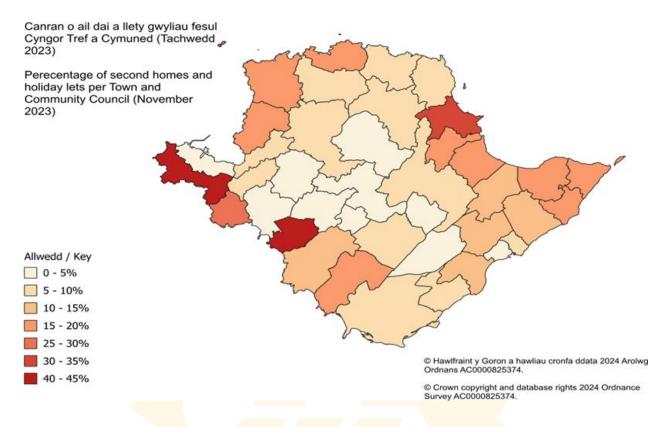


Figure 3: Map of Isle of Anglesey, with the percentage of second homes and holiday lets

The Welsh Government aims to have a million Welsh speakers by 2050, and Ynys Môn Council is focused on increasing opportunities to learn and use the language to help meet this goal. Protecting local communities is seen as key to contributing to this effort. However, the Local Government and Housing Committee has raised concerns that the high number of second homes, particularly in Welsh-speaking areas, threatens the viability of the language in these communities. Dr. Simon Brookes²⁰, in his work on second homes, notes that while second homes themselves have a relatively neutral linguistic impact due to being largely unoccupied, the conversion of more homes into second residences could harm the Welsh language and raise social justice concerns. An increase in holiday accommodation and second homes risks not only the Welsh language but also the ability of local people to live and work in their home areas.

Overview of Empty Homes

This section provides a brief overview of empty houses on the Isle of Anglesey, focusing on the key statistics, causes, and impacts of long-term vacant properties. As of April 2024, there are approximately 681 empty homes across the Isle of Anglesey, classified as 'long-term vacant'. Qualifying vacant properties can also be exempt from Council Tax including properties in probate, where the owner is

²⁰ WG42058 (gov.wales)

receiving care elsewhere, absent owners in residential care and in hospital receiving treatment, and occupations prohibited by law. These properties are not included in the stated figures. The highest concentrations of long-term empty properties are found in urban areas including Holyhead, Amlwch, and Llangefni.

Causes for properties remaining empty involve property market performance fluctuations, legal disputes over inheritance, vacant periods between tenants in the private rented sector, and properties undergoing minor and substantial renovation.

The impact of empty homes is significant, contributing to neighbourhood decline, and economic losses, and causing further pressures on housing needs. Properties that are left neglected and unaddressed can cause blight to the surrounding neighbourhood, pose health and safety risks, and attract antisocial behaviour. These factors can have serious implications for the local community and may ultimately result in enforcement action from the council.

Local authorities and the Welsh Government have implemented initiatives such as financial support through means of grants and interest-free loans and have the discretion to impose higher council tax rates on long-term vacant properties to address these challenges and discourage properties from remaining empty.

To offer transparency in the procedures and possible actions utilised by the Isle of Anglesey County Council, an Empty Homes Strategy 2023-2028 has been prepared to provide information to the public members, and internal and external stakeholders. The empty homes strategy is accessible on the Isle of Anglesey County Council's website: Empty Homes Strategic Plan 2023 to 2028 (gov.wales).

To summarise, 45% of Anglesey's population owns their home outright which is 7% higher than the national average, however owned with a mortgage or loan is 4% lower at 24% compared to national and North Wales at 28%. Furthermore, the island also has a large percentage of people who rent from the local authority with 12% being higher than North and the whole of Wales but this can be explained through the high number of authorities using external social landlords to manage their stock.

3.3 Socio-Economic and Demographic Trends

Age

	15 years and	16 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 49	50 to 64	65 years and
	under	years	years	years	years	over
Holy Island North	22%	10%	12%	18%	19%	19%
North West Anglesey	17%	9%	9%	15%	25%	25%
Central Anglesey	20%	9%	11%	17%	20%	22%
West Central Anglesey	20%	9%	13%	18%	20%	21%
South West Anglesey	15%	8%	9%	15%	24%	30%
Amlwch & Rural North	15%	8%	10%	14%	25%	28%
East Central Anglesey	16%	8%	11%	16%	22%	26%
Holy Island South	13%	8%	7%	14%	24%	33%
Anglesey East	13%	7%	8%	14%	23%	35%
Isle of Anglesey	17%	8%	10%	16%	22%	26%
North Wales	17%	9%	11%	17%	21%	23%
Wales	18%	11%	12%	18%	21%	21%

Table 12: Percentage of usual residents by age group and area, 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

The age demographics for the Isle of Anglesey, according to 2021 Census data, reflect notable changes. The median age on the Isle of Anglesey rose from 45 to 48 years between the last two censuses, showing an overall aging trend. Anglesey's median age is slightly lower than Conwy's (49 years) but higher than the Welsh average (42 years).

The number of people aged 65 to 74 increased by about 1,200 (14.2%²¹), while the 35 to 49 age group dropped by around 2,300 (17.2%). This means the share of residents aged 65 to 74 grew by 1.9 percentage points. This shift suggests an aging population with fewer middle-aged residents, which may affect future need on services.

²¹ How life has changed on Isle of Anglesey: Census 2021 (ons.gov.uk)

Ethnicity

	Asian	Black	Mixed	White	Other ethnic group
Holy Island North	1%	0%	1%	98%	0%
North West Anglesey	0%	0%	1%	99%	0%
Central Anglesey	1%	0%	1%	98%	0%
West Central Anglesey	0%	0%	1%	98%	0%
South West Anglesey	0%	0%	1%	99%	0%
Amlwch & Rural North	0%	0%	1%	98%	0%
East Central Anglesey	1%	0%	1%	97%	0%
Holy Island South	0%	0%	1%	99%	0%
Anglesey East	0%	0%	1%	98%	0%
Isle of Anglesey	1%	0%	1%	98%	0%
North Wales	1%	0%	1%	97%	0%
Wales	3%	1%	2%	94%	1%

Table 13: Ethnicity Groups in Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

The table above shows that the Isle of Anglesey has a large white population totalling at 98% which is 4% higher than the national figure and 1% higher than North Wales. Small Asian populations can be found at Holy Island North and East Central Anglesey both representing 1% each of the respective region's populations. Ethnic diversity in Anglesey primarily includes Asian, Black, and Mixed ethnic groups, though each of these communities represents a very small proportion of the total population. Additionally, the area has a strong Welsh identity, with a significant number of residents reporting Welsh as their ethnicity and primary language, reflecting its deep-rooted cultural heritage.

Welsh Language

	Cannot spea	k Welsh	Can speak Welsh		
Holy Island North	6718	58%	4951	42%	
North West Anglesey	1905	38%	3103	62%	
Central Anglesey	2282	26%	6343	74%	
West Central Anglesey	1893	49%	1995	51%	
South West Anglesey	2471	41%	3492	59%	
Amlwch & Rural North	3249	46%	3764	54%	
East Central Anglesey	3387	35%	6351	65%	
Holy Island South	1771	55%	1433	45%	
Anglesey East	5998	50%	5979	50%	
Isle of Anglesey	29673	44%	37413	56%	
North Wales	443934	74%	156887	26%	
Wales	2479876	82%	538296	18%	

Table 14: Population and Percentage of usual residents aged 3 years or over by ability to speak Welsh

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

According to the 2021 Census data, the Welsh language remains a significant part of daily life on the island of Anglesey (Ynys Môn). Here are the key points:

- Overall Proportion: Approximately 56% of Anglesey's population aged three and over reported being able to speak Welsh. This is a notable figure compared to other parts of Wales and is indicative of the island's strong linguistic heritage.
- **Decline in Proficiency:** Despite the high proportion, there has been a slight decline compared to the 2011 Census, where about 57% reported being able to speak Welsh.
- Usage and Proficiency: Beyond just speaking, a substantial number of residents have skills in understanding, reading, and writing Welsh.

These figures highlight Anglesey as one of the key areas in Wales where Welsh remains actively spoken and culturally significant.

Commuting patterns

	Less than 5km	5km to less than 10km	10km to less than 30km	30km to less than 60km	60km and over	Works mainly from home	Works mainly at an offshore installation, in no fixed place, or outside the UK
Holy Island North	37%	7%	12%	12%	4%	13%	16%
North West Anglesey	6%	13%	28%	5%	4%	25%	19%
Central Anglesey	24%	9%	29%	3%	3%	18%	14%
West Central Anglesey	22%	11%	21%	4%	4%	20%	17%
South West Anglesey	9%	10%	27%	3%	4%	31%	17%
Amlwch & Rural North	14%	5%	32%	4%	5%	21%	19%
East Central Anglesey	23%	19%	14%	4%	3%	23%	14%
Holy Island South	25%	7%	14%	8%	5%	25%	15%
Anglesey East	13%	12%	22%	3%	4%	30%	16%
Isle of Anglesey	20%	11%	21%	5%	4%	23%	16%
North Wales	24%	14%	19%	5%	2%	22%	14%
Wales	24%	13%	18%	4%	2%	26%	14%

Table 15: Commuting Patterns on Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Commuting patterns on Anglesey are characterised by a predominant use of cars, largely influenced by the island's geographical layout and infrastructure. Residents typically commute to nearby towns such as Holyhead, Llangefni, or Bangor for work, with some traveling further to mainland English cities like Chester or Liverpool. The seasonal nature of tourism also impacts commuting behaviours, particularly in the hospitality sector. While public transport options such as buses and trains are available, they play a secondary role compared to private vehicles, affecting commute times and accessibility for residents across the island.

Disability

	Disabled	Not disabled
Holy Island North	23%	77%
Holy Island North		
North West Anglesey	20%	80%
Central Anglesey	19%	81%
West Central Anglesey	19%	81%
South West Anglesey	21%	79%
Amlwch & Rural North	23%	77%
East Central Anglesey	19%	81%
Holy Island South	21%	79%
Anglesey East	21%	79%
Isle of Anglesey	21%	79%
North Wales	21%	79%
Wales	22%	78%

Table 16: Disability statistics for Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021

Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

The 2021 Census for Anglesey shows that around 21% of the population, approximately 69,700 residents, report living with a disability. Of these, 12% experience significant limitations in daily activities, while 9% report lesser limitations. This is higher than the averages for both Wales (19%) and England (17%).

Disability rates rise notably with age; half of those aged 65 and over report a disability, reflecting the strong link between ageing and health conditions. The data highlights the need for tailored health services and accessible infrastructure for Anglesey's aging and disabled population.

3.3 Specific Range of Housing Needs Requirements

The specific housing needs of various groups are a crucial element of the LHMA, as households often fall into multiple categories of housing requirements. While some areas may not be considered urgent for the island, others, particularly temporary accommodation, are already significant concerns and are expected to continue increasing. The purpose here is not to quantify the specific number of properties required, but to highlight current pressures and guide local strategic planning.

There are no higher education facilities within Anglesey and therefore no halls of residence. It is therefore considered highly unlikely that there will be a need in future for student accommodation, and so this has not been covered in this LHMA. This will be reviewed during the next LHMA process.

Please note that a Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment was approved by the Welsh Government in 2024, therefore any housing needs are being addressed through the GTAA workplan and not through the LHMA. This assessment can be found on the council's website.

The following tables provide a qualitative overview of housing-related needs on Anglesey, emphasizing policies, strategies, and insights from housing services rather than numerical data.

a) Accessible and a	adapted housing provision
Local policies/ strategies	 Anglesey Council Housing Allocation Policy²² Anglesey Council Housing Prospectus Disabled Facilities Grant Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022- 2026 Anglesey's Housing Strategy 2022- 2027
Property needs (key section)	Anglesey Council's goal is to create homes that can meet changing occupant needs. The Welsh Development Quality Requirements (2021) set minimum standards for new and rehabilitated affordable homes, focusing on flexibility and adaptability. Social housing register information demonstrates that there is a need for bespoke adapted accommodation that is DDA compliant, in addition to wheelchair accessible bungalows or ground floor flats. The requirement for bespoke adapted accommodation designed for individuals or families with specific needs stands at 19% of the housing register. The adaptations required can range from minimal to more specific and include adaptations such as, wet rooms, ground floor toilets or bedrooms, ramped or level access. These requirements are met by utilising existing stock, specific property renovation or through new build and are carefully tailored to the needs of each household. The lack of adapted properties as a priority has been highlighted during consultation, with stock also appearing to be more limited in rural areas.

²² Common Housing Allocation Policy (gov.wales)

The need for a second bedroom for carer's has also been flagged as a property need, however this is becoming increasingly difficult to justify due to benefit entitlement issues and bedroom entitlement. Suitable for Properties need to be suitable for people with limited mobility and/or dexterity or those with a need for high level care and wheelchair users. This includes Individuals and/or families that require accessible and adapted housing and are unable to meet their own housing needs living
dexterity or those with a need for high level care and wheelchair users. This includes Individuals and/or families that require accessible and adapted housing and are unable to meet their own housing needs living
in general needs accommodation. Properties should be suitable for individuals with a learning disability or any complex medical, functional or behavioural need. These needs will be discussed at complex adaptations meetings are held regularly with the head of housing, lead occupational therapist and head occupational therapist, Principal Development Officer, Housing Option Team Manager, Portfolio Holder and Head of Social Services. Meetings for group home and learning disability provision are held separately with heads of service.
Evidence including In the 2021 Census, 21% of Anglesey's population reported a disability
data sources (key affecting their daily activities.
Anglesey Council Housing Waiting List data shows that there is demand for the following: As of January 2024, there was a total of 166 applicants on the waiting list requesting adapted accommodation. This is 19% of the waiting list (166 of 873).
Bedroom By Entitlement Total
1 bed 98
2 beds 40
3 beds 16
4+ beds 12
Total 166
The requests for adapted accommodation ranges from houses, ground
floor flats and bungalows. The table below outlines all adaptation works carried out in private and council properties by Housing Services in the years 2022/23 and 2023/4: Adaptation Figures 2022/23 2023/24

Housing Adaptation Care Plan Referrals	90	141		
Medium Adaptations Completed (Up to 10k)	34	83		
Large Adaptations Completed (Over 10k)	12	8		
Number of Stair lifts fitted into council stock	11	9		
Major Adaptation Work to Council stock	53	55		
Minor Adaptation Works to Council Stock	269	233		
Total	515	620		
 Private Rented Sector Estate Agents Private Developers Grwp Cynefin North Wales Housing Clwyd Alyn Public Protection Planning Policy Children's Services Adult Services Hafan Cefni Extra Care Housing 	ard			
Pen Ucheldre Extra Care Housing				
Medrwn Mon Further Tenant Panel Consultation is scheduled to take place in course.				
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b) Multi-generational	and/or larger families requiring larger properties				
Local policies/ strategies	 Anglesey Council Housing Register Tai Teg (Affordable Housing Register) Anglesey Council Housing Allocation Policy Downsizing Incentive Scheme Right Sizing 				
Property needs (key section)	General needs accommodation with four or more bedrooms is in demand.				
	There is a proportion of homeless households in temporary accommodation that need larger properties and private sector properties can be costly.				
	Properties in the private rented sector have been identified as unsuitable and overcrowded, however lack of stock in the private and social sectors this has resulted in families not reporting the issue, therefore there is a hidden need.				
	There is a need for larger properties for those with cultural needs associated with multi-generational living.				
Suitable for	Larger or multi-generational families, Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities and homeless families with multiple members. For many families in these groups, a higher number of household members is common due to cultural, generational, or socioeconomic factors, making space and capacity key considerations in housing suitability.				

Evidence including data sources (key section)	The proportion of larger properties (4 or more bedroom) as part of the social rent stock is limited with only 3% of stock consisting of properties that are 4 bedrooms or more.						
	 Adequate larger homes can provide essential benefits such as reducing overcrowding, supporting privacy and family well-being, and accommodating multigenerational living arrangements 						
	 Private sector Housing Officers (Public Protection) have in the last 12 months come across 8 large families in the Holyhead, Newborough and Caergailiog areas that live in in unsuitable or crowded dwellings. 						
	• Lets of larger properties have remained similar over the last 3 years, with 6 lets in 2021/22, 7 lets in 2022/23 and 6 so far in 2023/24. All lets were for 4- and 5-bedroom properties. There are currently 64 active housing applications from people wanting a 4 bedroom or more property. This						
	demonstrates that existing turnover is not sufficient to accommodate those on the waiting list.						
External stakeholder consultation and	Digartref The Wallich						
engagement	Housing Support						
	Refugee Resettlement Programmes Co-ordinator						
	Housing Services						
	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board						
	Private Rented Sector						
	Estate Agents						
	Private Developers						
	Grwp Cynefin						
	North Wales Housing						
	Clwyd Alyn						
	Public Protection Planning Policy						
	Planning PolicyChildren's Services						
	Adult Services						
	Hafan Cefni Extra Care Housing						
	Shelter Cymru						
	Pen Ucheldre Extra Care Housing						
	Medrwn Mon						
Key Issues identified	 There has been a dramatic increase in the need for temporary accommodation compounded by a shortfall in supply. 						
	 Any data captured only provides a snapshot of the need for larger properties on a specific date. Its accuracy is fully reliant on applicants providing accurate information and updating their applications if their circumstances change. 						
	 Consideration should be given to increasing the downsizing incentive offer to free up larger properties. 						

- Tenants refusing to move into smaller properties due to the property having been their long-term homes or upheaval and cost implications.
- Private Sector Housing Officers (Public Protection) have in the last 12 months come across 8 larger families that live in in unsuitable or crowded dwellings. Whilst the overcrowding elements could lead to the prohibition notices being served this cannot be considered as there are no family homes large enough to accommodate such families due to age restrictions on room sharing etc. This is detrimental to their health and well-being.
- There will be many households that we will not be aware of who tolerate poor housing conditions due to fear of landlord reprisal and lack of other suitable housing options available.
- homeless families with multiple members often face significant challenges in finding suitable accommodation that can meet their needs, making larger homes critical in alleviating housing insecurity for these groups.
- It can be difficult to source larger properties as they represent a very small proportion of all homes on Anglesey.
- Issues of viability in terms of the cost of development/renovation especially if the household has any specific requirements.

c) Non-	permanent housing
Local policies/ strategies	 Rapid Rehousing Transitional Plan Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022- 2026 Anglesey's Housing Strategy 2022- 2027 Renting Homes Wales Act Social Services and Well-being? Strategic Equality Plan Anti Racism Plan Community Cohesion Plan
Property needs (key section)	There is a need for good quality temporary accommodation to reduce the need of costly and unsuitable hotels and B&B's. Move-on (self-contained) and permanent accommodation if feasible. There is a demand for single person and larger family accommodation.

Suitable for

All homeless households including refugees and asylum seekers who do not have 'refugee' status and are awaiting the outcome of their asylum claim.

Permanent housing is the preferred choice but good quality emergency and temporary housing is considered where there is insufficient permanent housing to meet needs.

Evidence including data sources (key section)

There has been a large increase in homeless household numbers. This could be due to factors such as an increasing number of private landlords selling properties, private rental rates are considerably higher, on average, than LHA rates and Prisoner early release scheme allowing for less forward planning on cases.

Emergency & temporary accommodation:

- 1. As of 31st January 2024, Anglesey County Council were accommodating 90 households in emergency and temporary accommodation.
- 2. 71 of the 90 households in emergency and temporary accommodation were single person households (79%) Homelessness substantial need for more affordable housing especially smaller 1 bedroom accommodation. Implementing the Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan.
- 3. The following provides the data for homeless applications received in the last four financial years:

2020 – 2021	700
2021 – 2022	672
2022 – 2023	876
2023 – 2024	795

There has been a 13.57% increase in the number of actual homeless applications received between 2020-21 and 2023-24 financial years.

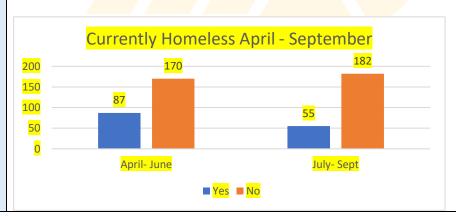
4. The below data demonstrates the increased demand on emergency/temporary accommodation over the past four years:

		S.73 + S.68 - Homeless &
	S.73 - Homless at Home	Accommodated
2020 -		
2021	149	196
2021 -		
2022	121	128
2022 -		
2023	136	169
2023 -		
2024	116	182

There has been a 4.13% decrease in S73 awards between 2021-22 and 2023-24 (financial years). 42.19% increase in S73 + S68 awards between 2021-22 and 2023-24 (financial years), demonstrating an increased demand on emergency/temporary accommodation.

The increase can be attributed to multiple factors such as Covid, Renting Homes Wales and Rough Sleeping as one of the priority need categories etc.

- 5. The graphs below show the number of people who presented as homeless on the SPOA referral between April 2023 March 2024. Of the 1,021 SPOA referrals received 285 people stated they were homeless and of the 285:
- 94 people stated that they had been referred before.
- 69 people stated that they needed urgent accommodation
- **26 of 285** residing in a B&B
- 13 of 285 were in prison
- 16 of 285 stated they were rough sleeping
- 25 of 285 stated that they were residing with friends
- Of the 285 133 stated they were still at risk of homeless within 56 days
- Of the **838** that stated they were not homeless at the time of the referral. **388** of those stated they were at risk of homelessness within 56 days.
- Of the 284-93 stated "other" with the explanations being:-
- Hospital admissions
- Staying with Ex partners
- Rough sleeping
- Sofa surfing between family members
- Sleeping in a car





Asylum Seekers & Refugees

While claims are being processed asylum seekers will be accommodated by the Home Office. If a positive outcome is received on their asylum claim, they will then receive 'refugee status' and would be able to access housing in the private rented sector. They will be given 28 days to vacate their Home Office accommodation, often resulting in a homelessness presentation.

External stakeholder consultation and engagement

- Refugee Resettlement Programmes Co-ordinator
- Digartref
- The Wallich
- Housing Support
- Housing Services
- Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
- Private Rented Sector
- Estate Agents
- Grwp Cynefin
- North Wales Housing
- Clwyd Alyn
- Public Protection
- Planning Policy
- Children's Services
- Adult Services
- Hafan Cefni Extra Care Housing
- Shelter Cymru
- Pen Ucheldre Extra Care Housing
- Medrwn Mon

Key Issues identified

- There has been a dramatic increase in the need for temporary accommodation, compounded by a shortfall in supply of permanent accommodation.
- Historic and current data was accessed to provide an overview of the current need for non-permanent accommodation and has allowed for an estimation to be made of the future need. Although this is an evidence-

based approach individuals' needs and circumstances can change which may impact on future need.

- Upcoming legislative changes may impact on the future requirements for this type of accommodation.
- There is a lack of suitable one-bedroom properties across the island for move on.
- There is a lack of HMO's and high rise properties on the island.
- An increase in population due to potential Wylfa development and Freeport need to be considered as this will have an impact on property availability for local residents, workers and their families.
- An increase in crisis management for cases released from prison under the Early Release Scheme.
- Newly granted refugees will not have a reference and credit history, requirements of most landlords when applying for a tenancy
- Newly granted refugees struggle to find their own accommodation in the private rented sector due to cost, lack of availability and lack of knowledge of the UK housing market.
- As well as lack of appropriate time to find accommodation due to 28-day notice period, there will also be a period of at least 6 weeks where refugees will have no income due to waiting for UC to be set up.
- The homes for Ukraine scheme went live in 2022, with a large number of single people and families being hosted by local families. These hosting relationships could breakdown at any point, leaving Ukrainian refugees homeless at very short notice. While the Resettlement team will work to find an alternative host or private rented sector accommodation in some cases this is not possible, resulting in a homeless presentation. This could be down to a number of reasons including, safeguarding concerns, lack of available hosts or affordable property, medical needs.

d) Housing, care and support needs

Local policies/ strategies

- Isle of Anglesey Corporate Plan
- Housing Strategy
- Housing Allocations policy
- Tai Teg allocations policy
- Learning Disabilities policy
- Housing Support Programme Strategy 2022-2026
- Housing Support Grant Needs Assessment

Property needs (key section)	 Extra care contemporary sheltered housing Supported living for people with a learning disability and/or complex needs Temporary supported housing Cluster Housing Extra Care for younger people not just 60+
Suitable for	 Young people leaving care Individuals with a learning disability learning to live independently. Older people who require extra care People develop the skills necessary to live independently People who have various care and support needs including young people, older people, individuals with substance misuse/alcohol issues, people fleeing domestic abuse, mental health and others who need support to live independently Those who require intensive housing related support. Those with complex medical, functional or behavioural need
Evidence including data sources (key section)	Regular quarterly meeting with Learning Disabilities (complex disabilities team) to discuss housing supply. Priorities are provided to Strategic Planning and Housing each financial year. Extra Care There are currently 2 extra care facilities on the island and they provide the following: Hafan Cefni – 62 Flats and 1 intermediate care facility for hospital to home transition. There are currently 52 people on the Hafan Cefni waiting list. Penucheldre – 54 Units An extra care scheme is currently being developed in Menai Bridge and will provide 45 social rent properties. This is due to complete in 2026. HSG In terms of current provision, there are many HSG supported accommodation commissioned projects available on Anglesey. These include: Mental Health Community Support Service – Supported Accommodation Services, 9 units of supported accommodation Substance Misuse The Wallich – Supported Accommodation, 7 units of Supported Accommodation Offending The Wallich – Supported Accommodation, 6 units of Supported Accommodation Learning Disability Catrefi Cymru - Supported Accommodation, 14 units of long term shared and single supported living within 7 different properties Tyddyn Mon – Supported Accommodation 22 units of shared and single supported living within 7 different properties

Mon Care - Supported Accommodation

5 Units of shared and single supported Living across 3 different properties

Young People

Digartref – Supported Accommodation – Llys Y Gwynt, 12 units of Supported Accommodation, 7 dispersed units.

Digartref - Support Accommodation Coedlys, 11 units of Supported Accommodation

Refuge

Refuge and Dispersed Housing, 4 units of refuge provision, 1 unit of dispersed housing

Vulnerable Families

Stori Cymru – Supported Accommodation, 4 units of Supported Accommodation

Temporary Supported Accommodation Projects include:

Digartref 25+ - Homeless, 4 units

The Wallich - Stepping Stones - Mental Health Step down Accommodation - no age restriction units - 3 accommodations based, 3 move on

Digartref - Younger Persons Step down Accommodation Homelessness 16-25, 4 units

- The 2021 Census Data confirms that the population of residents over 65 has increased by 4.1% since 2011 which remains in line with the expectation that services for older people will continue to be on the rise. The difference between the census carried out in 2011 and 2021 shows that the average age on Anglesey has increased from 45 to 48.
- Highlighted in the <u>Draft Mental Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2024-2034</u> is the need for good quality, affordable and safe housing to support mental health. Linked to this is the SPOA data that during April 2022- March 2023, 535 of 1002 people stated they had a mental health need, and predictions also suggest that Mental Health problems will increase by 2040. Strengthening links with Mental Health services is also recognised by the Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group (RHSCG)
- January 2022 to September 2023 significant increase for single person with no children / single person with children/ couples with children who were accessing the Housing Support Service. 161 households were booked into temporary accommodation.
- Local data implies that domestic abuse services are increasing. Between April 2019
 March 23, across 4200 referrals Domestic Abuse accounted for 7.45%
- SPOA referral data continues to highlight issues with both drug misuse and alcohol abuse. Data shows a minor reduction in both categories in comparison to 21-22.
- The total number of identifed support needs for April 2023- March 2024 was **2079**. These are broken down in the table below:

	April-	July-	Oct-	Jan-	Total for	Percentage
	June	Sept	Dec	March	four	
					quarters	
Alcohol	18	17	23	19	77	3.7%
Chronic Illness	30	15	25	15	85	4.08%
Domestic Abuse	46	65	39	31	181	8.7%
Drugs	30	13	21	21	85	4.08%
Physical or Sensory	26	18	23	28	95	4.56%
Disability						
Offending	24	21	13	11	69	3.31%
Homelessness	132	89	62	51	334	16.06%
Learning Difficulties	15	17	12	14	58	2.78%
Mental Health	146	122	105	98	471	22.6%
Vulnerable Young	41	23	19	23	106	5.09%
Person						
Refugee/Immigration	1	2	0	0	3	0.14%
Vulnerab <mark>le Older</mark>	36	32	24	22	114	5.48%
Person						
Generic	164	124	66	47	401	19.2%

^{**}Please note these are multiple choice questions therefore more than one option can be chosen**

External stakeholder consultation and engagement

- Refugee Resettlement Programmes Co-ordinator
- Digartref
- The Wallich
- Housing Support
- Housing Services
- Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
- Private Rented Sector
- Estate Agents
- Grwp Cynefin
- North Wales Housing
- Clwyd Alyn
- Public Protection
- Planning Policy
- Children's Services
- Adult Services
- Hafan Cefni Extra Care Housing
- Shelter Cymru
- Pen Ucheldre Extra Care Housing
- Medrwn Mon
- Consultation for the Housing Support Grant Strategy Review
- Consultation for the HSG Needs Assessment midpoint review including interviews and questionnaires were undertaken with stakeholders/ partners internal and external and service users.

Key Issues identified

Some of the key findings from the HSG light touch mid-point review of the Strategy and the needs assessment identified:

- Complexities of individuals are increasing.
- Prison population in Wales is expected to increase between 2025 and 2027 which will contribute to an increase in caseloads for Housing Options and housing related services.
- Affordability and supply remain an issue.
- Applicants registered with Tai Teg has more than doubled from 311 to 685 in comparison to the data collected for the 2022 Needs Assessment, the majority requiring 2 and 3 bedroomed intermediate rent and affordable properties to purchase.
- Property prices on average on Anglesey continue to increase if prices on the Isle of Anglesey continue to rise by 5.0% a year, the average property price will be £295,548 in 2025.
- An identified area is supported accommodation for households that are in employment. If households are in employment, the HSG supported accommodation become unaffordable for them. This does not provide an incentive for individuals to start working or enable them to retain their employment.
- Finding suitable housing for Supported Living where enough space for 3-4 tenants and staff parking is also a big issue.
- Cluster housing needs to be explored, similarly to that of an Extra Care model for adults with LD / MH so satellite support can be provided.

e) Locational needs for people with physical or cultural needs								
Local policies/	Anglesey Housing Register							
strategies	 Anglesey Council Housing Prospectus 							
	 Anglesey's Housing Strategy 							
	Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment 2022							
	Strategic Equality Plan							
Property needs (key	Anglesey Council values offering applicants a wide choice in							
section)	rehousing, recognising their needs and preferences while supporting							
,	the creation of sustainable, thriving communities.							
	Locations should meet the needs of households by providing access							
	to religious, social, and spiritual practices, healthcare, relationships,							
	community connections, and emotional support.							
	A requirement to meet the wider physical housing needs, such as							
	adapted and accessible properties in specific/required locations.							
Suitable for	Refugees and Asylum Seekers:							
	Refugees who are not suitably housed under a resettlement							
	scheme will need to source suitable social or private rented							
	sector accommodation. This accommodation may need to be							
	nearby or allow access to good public transport links to							
	enable travel to local and relevant places of worship, access							

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	to culturally appropriate food items and access to local ESOL providers.						
	Culturally, properties with access to facilities to prepare, store and cook their own meals would be more suitable.						
	Locations should meet the needs of households by providing access to religious, social, and spiritual practices, healthcare, relationships, community connections, and emotional support.						
	Gypsies & Travellers: • This need is addressed through the GTAA ²³						
	All Other Households:						
Evidence including data sources (key section)	With regards to refugees and asylum seekers, the needs of individuals and households can differ greatly, making it challenging to predict future requirements. The type and level of provision will depend on the specific locational needs of households granted indefinite leave to remain. While each person's needs are unique, access to good transport links is generally essential to reach education, employment, places of worship, and support services.						
External stakeholder consultation and engagement	 Refugee Resettlement Programmes Co-ordinator Digartref The Wallich Housing Support Housing Services Staff Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board Private Rented Sector Estate Agents Grwp Cynefin, Clwyd Alyn, North Wales Housing Public Protection Planning Policy Children's Services Adult Services Hafan Cefni Shelter Cymru Medrwn Mon 						
Key Issues identified	The needs of families/individuals are specific and can vary significantly.						
	 It is not possible to determine where those who are granted the right to remain will require accommodation. Limited availability of specific data/information. Poor mental and emotional wellbeing can be a barrier to successful resettlement. 						

²³ Anglesey-and-Gwynedd-Gypsy-and-Travellers-Accommodation-Needs-Assessment.pdf (gov.wales)

There may be limited or no available stock in desired locations.

4. Range of Additional Housing Needs Requirements

This section of the LHMA presents the finalised summary tables from the LHMA tool, showcasing the calculated housing need estimates for Anglesey. We have included three sets of estimates based on different Welsh Government household projections: principal, higher, and lower projections. The five summary tables included for each variant is based on the following:

- Tables 1, 2, 3: These tables provide a snapshot of the estimated average gross and net annual housing need for Anglesey as a whole.
- Tables 1a,1b,1c: Estimated annual additional affordable housing need by HMA and tenure, accounting for planned supply and turnover of existing stock, over the first five years of the LHMA period.
- Tables 2a, 2b,2c: Estimated annual additional total housing need by HMA and tenure, gross need before considering planned supply and turnover of existing stock, over the first five years of the LHMA period.
- Tables 3a,3b,3c: Estimated annual additional total housing need by HMA and tenure over the remaining 10 years of the LHMA period. No allowance has been made for planned supply and turnover of existing stock beyond year five due to decreasing accuracy.
- ➤ Tables 4a,4b,4c: Estimated annual and total additional affordable housing need by HMA and tenure over the 15-year LHMA period. These estimates combine data from the first and third tables.

4.1 Principal Variant Projection

This scenario includes the Welsh Government principal projection and incorporates all households on the housing register that were included in toolkit table 8 – existing unmet need.

^{**}Please note rounding has taken place in all tables**

LHMA Principal Household Projection Table 1

Average annual additional housing need estimates using the Welsh Government PRINCIPAL household projections for first 5 years of the LHMA

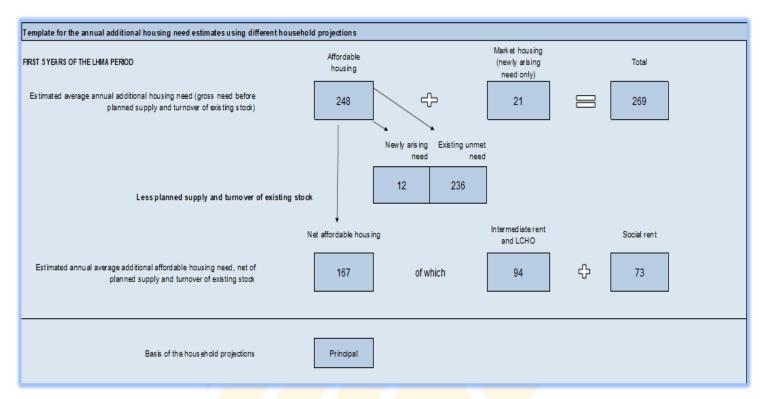


Table 1 above demonstrates that the estimated average annual additional household need (gross affordable housing need before planned supply and turnover of existing stock) is 248, with 236 being existing unmet need and 12 being newly arising need. The estimated average annual net affordable housing need is 167. This is made up of 94 intermediate rent and low-cost home ownership, and 73 social rent properties.

LHMA Principal Projection Table 1a

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (net need, net turnover of existing stock and planned supply)

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
НМА	one	two	three	four+	Social	Intermediate	LCHO	Affordabl
	bedroom	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	rent	rent		e Housing
					(a)+(b)+(c)+			(h)=(e)+(f)+
					(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	65	3	-	5	73	31	63	167
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	15	-	-	2	18	9	21	47
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	19	-	-	1	20	9	12	41
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	5	3	6	14
South West Anglesey	2	-	-	0	2	1	3	6
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	10	3	-	1	13	3	8	25
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	-	-	0	6	3	6	15

Table 1a outlines the estimated additional housing needs over the first 5 years of the LHMA period, which are higher than the overall annual average due to the substantial existing unmet demand that the model assumes will be addressed early on. The table provides a breakdown by property size and tenure, taking into account assumptions for turnover of current affordable housing stock and expected supply.

The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated to be 167 units, consisting of 73 for social rent, 31 for intermediate rent, and 63 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 65 units per year.

LHMA Principal Projection Table 2a

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (gross need, before turnover and supply

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
HMA	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented sector	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)			(f)=(d)+(e)	(g)=(c)+(f)
Additional housing need	152	96	248	8	13	21	269
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	44	30	74	4	5	8	82
North West Anglesey	4	3	8	0	0	0	8
Central Anglesey	35	21	56	2	4	6	62
West Central Anglesey	13	10	23	1	1	2	24
South West Anglesey	6	4	10	0	1	1	11
Amlwch & Rural North	10	7	17	0	0	1	18
East Central Anglesey	21	11	32	1	1	2	34
Holy Island South	1	1	2	0	0	0	2
Anglesey East	18	9	27	0	0	0	27

Table 2a above shows total annual housing need estimates by tenure for affordable and market housing over the first 5 years of the LHMA. These gross figures exclude turnover and planned supply, assuming all unmet need is addressed within this period. The subsequent table projects newly arising needs over the following 10 years, but in reality, it is unlikely all existing needs will be met within 5 years. Supply predictions are omitted beyond year 5 due to increased uncertainty.

LHMA Principal Projection Table 3a

Estimated annual additional housing need estimates by HMA and tenure for the remaining 10 years of the LHMA period

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)		sector	(f)=(d) +	(g)=(c)+(f)
						(e)	
Additional housing need	9	4	12	8	13	21	33
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	3	2	5	4	5	8	14
North West Anglesey	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Central Anglesey	3	1	4	2	4	6	10
West Central Anglesey	1	0	1	1	1	2	3

South West Anglesey	0	0	1	0	1	1	2
Amlwch & Rural North	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
East Central Anglesey	1	0	1	1	1	2	3
Holy Island South	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Anglesey East	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

LHMA Principal Report Table 3a above gives a detailed breakdown of the additional housing need estimates over the remaining 10 years of the LHMA. These figures assume that any unmet need in the first five years of the LHMA will be met.

LHMA Principal Projection Table 4a

Estimated annual overall additional affordable housing need by HMA and tenure (net need) over the 15 years of the LHMA

	A ⁻	verage annual es	timates	15-year estimates			
	(a)	(b)	(c)				
HMA	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	
	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing	
			(c)=(a)+(b)			(c)=(a)+(b)	
Additional housing need	30	34	64	454	508	962	
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	8	11	19	124	166	290	
North West Anglesey	1	1	2	14	14	28	
Central Anglesey	9	8	16	129	114	243	
West Central Anglesey	2	3	5	34	47	81	
South West Anglesey	1	2	2	13	23	36	
Amlwch & Rural North	2	2	5	33	35	68	
East Central Anglesey	5	4	9	73	60	133	
Holy Island South	0	0	0	1	4	5	
Anglesey East	2	3	5	33	45	77	

The table above presents estimates for additional affordable housing needs by tenure, including both annual figures and the total need projected over the 15-year LHMA period. These estimates are derived by combining the net additional needs from Table 1a and Table 3a.

4.2 Higher Variant Projection

This scenario includes the Welsh Government Higher projection and incorporates all households on the housing register that were included in toolkit table 8 – existing unmet need.

Please note rounding has taken place in all tables

LHMA Higher Household Projection Table 2

Average annual additional housing need estimates using the Welsh Government HIGHER household projections for first 5 years of the LHMA

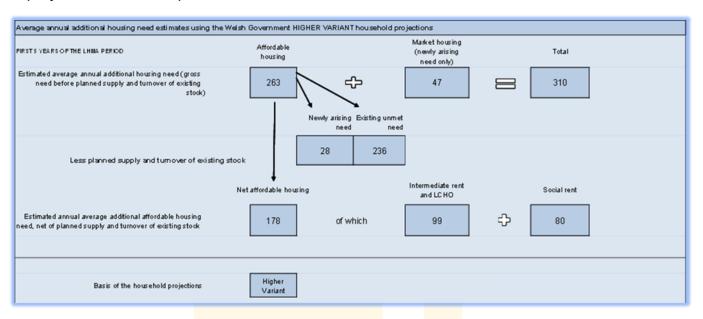


Table 2 above demonstrates that the estimated average annual additional household need (gross affordable housing need before planned supply and turnover of existing stock) is 263, with 236 being existing unmet need and 28 being newly arising need. The estimated average annual net affordable housing need is 178. This is made up of 99 intermediate rent and low-cost home ownership, and 80 social rent properties.

LHMA Higher Projection Table 1b

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (net need, net turnover of existing stock and planned supply)

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
НМА	one	two	three	four+	Social	Intermediate	LCHO	Affordabl
	bedroom	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	rent	rent		e Housing
					(a)+(b)+(c)+			(h)=(e)+(f)+
					(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	71	3	-	6	80	33	66	178
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	18	-	-	3	20	9	22	52
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	21	-	-	1	22	9	13	44
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	6	3	6	15
South West Anglesey	2	-	-	0	2	1	3	6
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	10	3	-	1	14	3	8	26
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	-	-	0	6	3	6	15

Table 1b outlines the estimated additional housing needs over the first 5 years of the LHMA period, which are higher than the overall annual average due to the substantial existing unmet demand that the model assumes will be addressed early on. The table provides a breakdown by property size and tenure, taking into account assumptions for turnover of current affordable housing stock and expected supply. The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated at 178 units, consisting of 80 for social rent, 33 for intermediate rent, and 66 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 71 units per year.

LHMA Higher Projection Report Table 2b

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (gross need, before turnover and supply

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented sector	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)			(f)=(d)+(e)	(g) = (c) + (f)
Additional housing need	163	100	263	17	30	47	310
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	48	32	80	8	11	19	99
North West Anglesey	4	4	8	0	1	1	9
Central Anglesey	38	22	60	4	9	13	74
West Central Anglesey	14	10	24	2	2	4	28
South West Anglesey	7	4	11	1	2	3	14
Amlwch & Rural North	11	7	18	0	1	2	19
East Central Anglesey	21	12	33	1	3	4	37
Holy Island South	1	1	2	0	0	1	3
Anglesey East	18	9	27	0	0	0	28

Table 2b above shows total annual housing need estimates by tenure for affordable and market housing over the first 5 years of the LHMA. These gross figures exclude turnover and planned supply, assuming all unmet need is addressed within this period. The subsequent table projects newly arising needs over the following 10 years, but in reality, it is unlikely all existing needs will be met within 5 years. Supply predictions are omitted beyond year 5 due to increased uncertainty.

LHMA Higher Projection Report Table 3b

LHMA Report Table 3: Estimated annual additional housing need estimates by HMA and tenure for the remaining 10 years of the LHMA period

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
HMA	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)		sector	(f)=(d) +	(g) = (c) + (f)
						(e)	
Additional housing need	19	8	28	17	30	47	74
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	8	4	12	8	11	19	30
North West Anglesey	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Central Anglesey	7	2	9	4	9	13	22
West Central Anglesey	2	0	2	2	2	4	6
South West Anglesey	1	1	1	1	2	3	4
Amlwch & Rural North	0	0	1	0	1	2	2
East Central Anglesey	2	1	2	1	3	4	6
Holy Island South	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Anglesey East	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

LHMA Higher Projection Report Table 4b

Estimated annual overall additional affordable housing need by HMA and tenure (net need) over the 15 years of the LHMA

	(a)	(b)	(c)			
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Social	Intermediate	Affordable
	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing
			(c)=(a)+(b)			(c)=(a)+(b)
Additional housing need	39	38	78	592	577	1,169
estimates by tenure						
Holy Island North	12	13	25	177	200	377
North West Anglesey	1	1	2	16	15	31
Central Anglesey	12	9	21	176	132	308
West Central Anglesey	3	3	6	45	51	97
South West Anglesey	1	2	3	19	28	47
Amlwch & Rural North	2	2	5	37	37	73
East Central Anglesey	6	4	10	86	64	150
Holy Island South	0	0	0	1	5	6
Anglesey East	2	3	5	34	45	79

The table above presents estimates for additional affordable housing needs by tenure, including both annual figures and the total need projected over the 15-year LHMA period. These estimates are derived by combining the net additional needs from Table 1b and Table 3b.

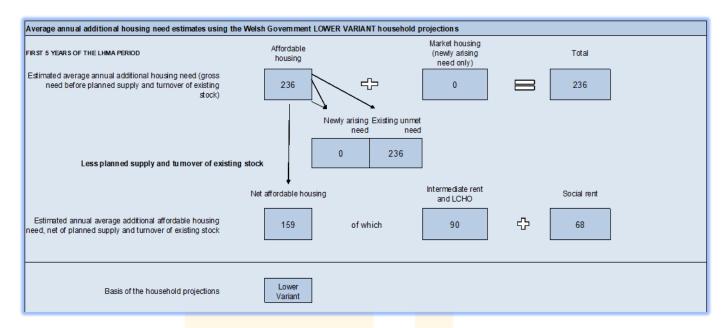
4.3 Lower Variant

This scenario includes the Welsh Government lower variant projection and incorporates all households on the housing register that were included in toolkit table 8 – existing unmet need.

Please note rounding has taken place in all tables

LHMA Lower Household Projection Table 2

Average annual additional housing need estimates using the Welsh Government LOWER household projections for first 5 years of the LHMA



LHMA Lower Projection Report Table 3 above demonstrates that the estimated average annual additional household need (gross affordable housing need before planned supply and turnover of existing stock) is 236 with 236 being existing unmet need and 0 being newly arising need. The estimated average annual net affordable housing need is 159. This is made up of 90 intermediate rent and low-cost home ownership, and 68 social rent properties.

LHMA Lower Projection Table 1c

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (net need, net turnover of existing stock and planned supply)

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
НМА	one	two	three	four+	Social	Intermediate	LCHO	Affordabl
	bedroom	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	rent	rent		e Housing
					(a)+(b)+(c)+			(h)=(e)+(f)+
					(d)=(e)			(g)
Additional housing need	61	3	-	5	68	30	61	159
estimates by tenure								
Holy Island North	14	-	-	2	16	8	20	44
North West Anglesey	3	-	-	-	3	0	2	5
Central Anglesey	17	-	-	1	18	8	12	38
West Central Anglesey	5	-	-	0	5	3	6	14
South West Anglesey	1	-	-	0	2	1	3	5
Amlwch & Rural North	6	-	-	0	6	3	4	13
East Central Anglesey	9	3	-	1	13	3	8	24
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	1
Anglesey East	6	ı	1	0	6	3	6	15

Table 1b outlines the estimated additional housing needs over the first 5 years of the LHMA period, which are higher than the overall annual average due to the substantial existing unmet demand that the model assumes will be addressed early on. The table provides a breakdown by property size and tenure, taking into account assumptions for turnover of current affordable housing stock and expected supply. The net annual need for all affordable housing is estimated at 159 units, consisting of 68 for social rent, 30 for intermediate rent, and 61 for low-cost home ownership. The highest demand within the social rent category is for 1-bedroom homes, at 61 units per year.

LHMA Lower Projection Table 2c

Estimated annual additional total housing need estimates by HMA and tenure (gross need, before turnover and supply

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented sector	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)			(f)=(d)+(e)	(g)=(c)+(f)
Additional housing need	144	92	236	-	-	-	236
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	41	28	69	-	-	-	69
North West Anglesey	4	3	8	-	-	-	8
Central Anglesey	32	20	52	-	-	-	52
West Central Anglesey	12	10	22	-	-	-	22
South West Anglesey	6	4	9	-	-	-	9
Amlwch & Rural North	10	7	17	-	-	-	17
East Central Anglesey	20	11	31	-	-	-	31
Holy Island South	1	1	2	-	-	-	2
Anglesey East	18	9	27	-	-	-	27

Table 2c above shows total annual housing need estimates by tenure for affordable and market housing over the first 5 years of the LHMA. These gross figures exclude turnover and planned supply, assuming all unmet need is addressed within this period. The subsequent table projects newly arising needs over the following 10 years, but in reality, it is unlikely all existing needs will be met within 5 years. Supply predictions are omitted beyond year 5 due to increased uncertainty.

LHMA Lower Projection Table 3c

LHMA Report Table 3: Estimated annual additional housing need estimates by HMA and tenure for the remaining 10 years of the LHMA period

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Owner	Private	Market	Additional
	rent	rent and	Housing	occupier	rented	Housing	housing need
		LCHO	(c)=(a)+(b)		sector		(g) = (c) + (f)

						(f)=(d) + (e)	
Additional housing need		1	1	-	-	-	-
estimates by tenure							
Holy Island North	-	1	1	-	-	1	-
North West Anglesey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Central Anglesey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Central Anglesey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South West Anglesey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amlwch & Rural North	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Central Anglesey	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Holy Island South	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anglesey East	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

LHMA Lower Projection Table 4c

Estimated annual overall additional affordable housing need by HMA and tenure (net need) over the 15 years of the LHMA

	-	Average annual est	imates		15-year estimate	es
	(a)	(b)	(c)			
НМА	Social	Intermediate	Affordable	Social	Intermediate	Affordable
	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing	rent	rent and LCHO	Housing
			(c)=(a)+(b)			(c)=(a)+(b)
Additional housing need	23	30	53	341	452	793
estimates by tenure						
Holy Island North	5	9	15	80	139	219
North West Anglesey	1	1	2	13	13	26
Central Anglesey	6	7	13	90	100	190
West Central Anglesey	2	3	5	25	44	69
South West Anglesey	1	1	2	8	19	27
Amlwch & Rural North	2	2	4	31	33	64
East Central Anglesey	4	4	8	63	56	119
Holy Island South	-	0	0	-	4	4
Anglesey East	2	3	5	32	44	76

The table above presents estimates for additional affordable housing needs by tenure, including both annual figures and the total need projected over the 15-year LHMA period. These estimates are derived by combining the net additional needs from Table 1c and Table 3c.

5. LHMA Additional Housing Need Estimates

This LHMA has conducted a comprehensive analysis of housing needs using a range of Welsh Government variant household projections. Each variant has been evaluated through the LHMA tool and supplemented by extensive socio-economic, demographic, and property market data. This analytical process aims to provide detailed insights into local housing market dynamics, translating

housing needs into specific sizes, types, and tenures of housing. The findings support the development of long-term strategies, inform local planning strategies, and guide decisions on housing mixes for new sites. Operationally, the LHMA serves as a critical tool to justify the provision of affordable housing in planning applications, inform the allocation of SHG, and highlight strategic housing priorities at the local level.

The methodology used for the 2024 LHMA differs from the 2019 version due to changes in how data was collected, analysed, and reported. Key differences include:

- 1. **Housing Market Areas (HMAs)**: Updated boundaries and definitions of HMAs affect the comparability between the two reports.
- 2. **Data and Timeframes**: Each LHMA used different datasets and time periods, making direct comparisons challenging.
- 3. **Analytical Approach**: Changes in calculation methods, criteria, and analytical models may produce different outcomes, even for similar conditions.

Due to the differences in methodology, it is not possible to make comparisons between the 2019 and 2024 LHMAs.

5.1 Household projection

Household projections are a crucial input for the LHMA tool, as they help determine the newly arising housing need over the LHMA period. The current Anglesey JLDP is set to expire in 2026 and work in relation to preparing a new Local Development Plan (LDP) for Anglesey is currently at development stage, meaning robust projections at this stage were limited. As a result of this a LDP Scenario has not been produced for this LHMA, as it is currently too early to deviate beyond the Welsh Government growth projections at this stage. The LHMA refresh will contemplate a range of different growth scenarios, considering projected economic and population growth.

As such, the preferred projection to inform this LHMA is the principal variant. During consultation there was significant favour towards the higher variant, however after taking into account the population decrease, where the population of Anglesey fell by 1.3%, from just under 69,800 in 2011 to around 68,900 in 2021 the principal variant is the more feasible selection. This variant factors in steady household growth for the island and as the difference between each of the variants is not significantly greater selecting this variant seems the most appropriate. Alternative population and economic growth estimates will be revisited during the LHMA refresh.

The demand for one-bedroom social rent housing is exceptionally high across all 3 variants. This could be influenced by multiple factors such as increased homelessness following the COVID pandemic, the prioritization of 'street homeless' cases, and a 'no one left out' approach. Additional pressures include the cost-of-living crisis and disproportionate LHA rates, with lack of confirmed inflation rises. While developers are encouraged to include a mix of housing sizes to reflect the evidenced need, there is a limited drive to build one-bedroom properties. One potential solution is to consider a flexible approach, such as combining one- and two-bedroom units, which could meet both space aspirations and housing needs.

Ensuring an appropriate mix of housing options remains a priority, requiring a balanced provision of houses, flats and bungalows. The LHMA will be used to guide planning decisions to ensure that the housing supply meets both immediate and long-term demand, to meet the Council's aim of fostering sustainable and resilient communities, by maintaining a diverse range of housing types and tenures in future developments. This will ensure that housing supply is responsive to the specific requirements identified in the assessment, making it a key reference for both developers and planning.

The figures produced should not be viewed as a target for delivering affordable homes, as new builds are just one way to address housing needs on the Island. Other approaches, such as reusing empty properties, purchasing existing homes, and partnering with private landlords, can also play a key role in boosting affordable housing supply.

5.2 Future Growth

Holyhead is considered by Welsh Government to be a Regional Growth Area in Future Wales: The National Plan 2040²⁴ and will be a focus for managed growth, complimenting the National Growth Areas of Wrexham and Deeside. The Anglesey Freeport plan aligns closely with the objectives outlined in the plan which seeks to promote sustainable economic growth and strengthen regional communities across Wales. The freeport's ²⁵emphasis on renewable energy, advanced manufacturing, and job creation directly supports the Welsh Government's vision of boosting economic activity and tackling demographic challenges in strategic areas like Anglesey. ²⁶

An essential element of the *National Plan 2040* is the synergy between the freeport and the potential redevelopment of the Wylfa Newydd nuclear site. The Welsh Government supports in principle the proposed development and the plan designates Wylfa as a priority area for low-carbon energy generation, with potential for new nuclear projects alongside other renewable sources. The Anglesey Freeport's focus on marine energy and green technologies will complement Wylfa's strategic role, establishing a comprehensive energy hub.

By potentially creating between 3,500 and 13,000 jobs by 2030, the Anglesey Freeport could significantly boost local employment opportunities and stimulate population growth, helping to reverse out-migration trends and support the sustainable development of the region. This anticipated growth will likely increase demand for housing, making it crucial to align housing strategies with expected demographic changes. *Future Wales* emphasises the need for coordinated housing and infrastructure development to support expanding communities, positioning the freeport as a cornerstone of the broader strategy to transform the region's economic landscape.

This prospective economic and population growth has significant implications for local housing, which will be addressed in the LHMA refresh. With the possible influx of workers and families expected due to the Freeport and Wylfa Newydd projects, the LHMA will be central in planning for new residential

²⁴ gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2021-02/future-wales-the-national-plan-2040.pdf

²⁵ Wales' new freeports unveiled | GOV.WALES

²⁶ Anglesey Freeport on Ynys Mon approved by both Welsh and UK Governments - Herald. Wales

developments and ensuring there is sufficient, high-quality, and affordable housing for both existing residents and newcomers.

To manage this growth effectively, Anglesey's new LDP will play a crucial role and will focus on delivering a balanced mix of housing types—such as affordable homes and high-density developments near employment hubs like Holyhead and the freeport zones. This will ensure that new housing supports local communities while aligning with the goals set out in the *National Plan 2040*.

6 Quality Assurance Statement

This LHMA was developed in collaboration with Housing and Planning Services following engagement with key stakeholders, adhering strictly to the latest (2022) Welsh Government Guidance. All data sources, geographical boundaries, and assumptions were clearly defined and justified. All consultation carried out is noted in table 1, section 1.3 of the report.

Data was collated and shared with Data Cymru who were commissioned to assist with the data inputting and generating process. Throughout the course Data Cymru conducted their own quality assurance process to check the toolkit and data for accuracy. Meetings were held with the Welsh Government once the data from the tool was run to confirm that the summary tables produced within the toolkit were accurate.

Key steps included:

- Defining Housing Market Areas (HMAs) using statistical geographies as per Welsh Government Guidance and input from a Viability Stakeholder Group.
- Analysing 2021 Census data at Lower Super Output Area level to ensure consistency with HMAs.
- Using Welsh Government household projections to assess housing need.
- Explaining any deviations from default assumptions in the LHMA Tool.
- Using median average prices to mitigate the impact of outliers.
- Scrutinising Common Housing Register data to prevent counting discrepancies.
- Ensuring robustness through sufficient sample sizes and cross-referencing with secondary data.
- Verifying arithmetic accuracy of outputs.
- Consistently rounding figures to the nearest whole number, with appropriate caveats where rounding affects table totals.
- Labelling all figures and tables comprehensively and consistently.

These measures were taken to produce a reliable LHMA that supports informed decision-making in housing planning and development.



Appendix A - Key Issues Tables

Key Issues Table 1 - Key data inputs

Key data inputs	Key issues identified with the data inputs
1. Housing Market Areas (HMAs)	1. Anglesey Council's housing register areas are parish councils. One of the key issues identified during HMA selection consultation was that many wished for larger areas such as Holyhead to be split due to the large variations in house prices across the area. As a result of the internal data only being available by parish council this split was not possible.
2. Household data	1. Welsh Government Data Used. No issues identified with Welsh Government Data.
	2. Household Projections – Guidance stated that the Local authority social allocation policy should be used to determine different household units within the household projections by number of bedrooms. We were unable to match table 3 in the LHMA tool to the allocation policy, therefore percentages used were estimates.
3. Rent data	1. Data provided by Rent Officers Wales. No issues identified.
4. Income data	1. CACI Paycheck data used. No issues identified.
5. House price paid data	1. Land Registry Data used. No issues identified.
6. Existing unmet need	1. A live social housing register list was provided in January 2024. Applicants are entitled to select multiple areas of choice on the social housing register and some also choose Anglesey as a whole, as they have no preference of areas. By allocating people to a preferred area of choice the data in this LHMA may not be accurate.
	 Applicants change their areas of choice regularly and will call customer service often to change their area choices based on factors such as new developments, vacant properties, suitability of properties and changes in circumstances. To help reduce the demand on the housing register, homeless applicants are opened up to the whole of Anglesey after 6 months of being on the waiting list. Assigning them to a specific HMA has proven difficult, and the process goes against the

Key data inputs	Key issues identified with the data inputs	
	 purpose of opening their housing need areas to the whole of Anglesey to help reduce the number of homeless applicants. Applicants may have selected areas where there is no available accommodation. Applicants may have selected areas where there is no accommodation suitable to meet their needs. 	
	2. Households in temporary accommodation were cross referenced for live applications to ensure that no duplication occurred. While all are advised to submit a housing application, this does not always occur. For the purposes of the LHMA all have been included in Toolkit table 8 as it has been assumed that all will be in need of permanent housing.	
	3. Tai Teg provided a live-applicants by area list on 31/01/2024. This list was then cross referenced with the social housing register and duplications were removed to avoid double counting for the purposes of the LHMA. Any applicants that had a live social housing application on the system were removed from the Tai Teg list provided to avoid double counting. This data has therefore been based on assumptions.	
	4. Tai Teg applicants are able to select preferences for intermediate rent, purchase and purchase/rent which is the option for low-cost home ownership. As there was no option within the toolkit for those who had selected purchase/rent we have opted to split the data by 50/50. Therefore 50% have been allocated to rent and the remaining 50% have been allocated to purchase.	
	5. There is a risk of double counting at a regional level without Local Authorities being aware. For instance, a household with a local connection to Anglesey and in housing need would qualify for the social housing register there. However, if the same household also has a local connection to Gwynedd, they could be listed on Gwynedd's social housing register as well, potentially leading to duplication in need assessments.	
	6. Accurate data on concealed households cannot be obtained from the social housing and intermediate housing registers. While some households listed may be concealed, they might prefer to continue living as a single household. This will be taken into account in future LHMAs, and alternative methods for data collection will be explored.	
7. Existing stock and planned supply	1. Extra care housing and Extra Care developments in the main PDP programme. Existing extra are accommodation, along with the	

Key data inputs	Key issues identified with the data inputs
	planned PDP main programme scheme have not been counted in existing stock and planned supply as applicants do not go through the social housing register or Tai Teg to apply for these properties.
	Similarly, the young person's homelessness supported accommodation scheme was not counted in existing or planned supply for the same reasons. There are no areas within the tool account for such existing stock and planned supply.
	2. Section 106 properties that had received full planning permission and had commenced development. There is no way of confirming that these schemes will complete within this LHMA cycle.
	3. Turnover levels of social housing stock cannot be guaranteed, therefore may be different in the future. Data utilised in the tool is historic and while it indicates that turnover from the past 3 years has remained comparable this may change. This will need further monitoring during the LHMA period.

Key Issues Table 2 - Input assumptions

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Key input assumptions	Key issues identified with the input assumptions	
1. Affordability criteria	1. Affordability criteria for market housing sets the minimum income for a household to be considered for market housing tenure. The default affordability assumption for market housing is where a median rent equates to no more than 30% of household income. This has been used for the LHMA.	
2. First time buyer (FTB) assumptions	1. For each HMA, an appropriate percentile value has been selected at which FTBs would enter the market. Welsh Government's technical working group suggested a value between the 25th percentile and 40th percentile was considered appropriate. For the purpose of this LHMA the 40th percentile was considered the most appropriate.	
3. Percentage of households eligible for owner occupier tenure that decide to go on and buy	1. It is acknowledged that not all households designated for owner-occupied tenure intend to purchase a home. The Welsh Government's technical working group identified a reasonable estimate within the range of 40% to 60%. Consequently, this Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) has opted for a conservative assumption of 50%, suggesting that only half of these households are anticipated to pursue homeownership.	
4. Five-year financial forecast for key variables – income, rent and house prices	1. Welsh Government default assumption settings have been utilised.	
5. Calculation of intermediate housing (IR and LCHO)	1. Welsh Government default assumption settings have been utilised.	

Key Issues Table 3: Calculations and outputs

Calculations / outputs	Key issues identified with the calculations / outputs
	calculations / outputs
Market housing need covering owner occupier and private rented sector	1. Default settings utilised.
Affordable housing need covering social rent and immediate housing	1. The statement highlights that while meeting the backlog and immediate social housing needs in the first five years might suffice, relying on existing turnover may not be sustainable. Housing register figures have risen significantly in recent years, and it's uncertain if this trend will continue, making it difficult to guarantee that future needs won't arise.
	2. It's unclear if households in need of affordable housing require new builds, as their needs could potentially be met through other housing options instead.
	3. It is unclear how this aligns with the dwelling requirements based on population and household projections.
3. Scenario testing tables	1. No issues identified.
4. Five year outputs / 10 year outputs	1. These outputs will need to be reevaluated in line with the Replacement Local Development Plan once complete.

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Table 2: HMA Areas & LSOA Codes

Table 3: Occupancy Ratings, Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021 - Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 4: Household Composition 2021 - Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 5: Household Tenure 2021 - Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 6: Number of registered sales by accommodation type (2022) - Source: Land Registry Price Paid data

Table 7: Land Registry Price Paid Data 2022

Table 8: CACI paycheck data (2022), Land Registry Data (2020 – 2022), House Price Index (2020 – 2022)

Table 9: Anglesey – Percentage and Number of Households Priced out of Market. Gwynedd Council Research Unit: 2023

Table 10: Current Social Housing Stock by Registered Social Landlord

Table 11: Social Housing rent levels charged by Ynys Mon Council

Table 12: Percentage of usual residents by age group and area, 2021 Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 13: Ethnicity Groups in Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021 Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 14: Welsh Language Speakers, Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021 Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 15: Commuting Patterns Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021 Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Table 16: Disability statistics for Anglesey, North Wales and Wales 2021 Source-2021 Census, Office for National Statistics

Glossary of Abbreviations & Terms

- LHMA Local Housing Market Assessment
- LSOA Lower Super Output Area
- MSOA Middle Super Output Areas
- LDP Local Development Plan
- SHG Social Housing Grant
- HMA Housing Market Areas
- LHA Local Housing Allowance
- HSG Housing Support Grant
- RHSCG Regional Housing Support Collaborative Group
- SPOA Single Point of Access
- TTWA Travel to Work Areas
- GTAA Gypsy Traveller Accommodation Assessment
- DDA Disability Discrimination Act
- BAME Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic
- UC Universal Credit
- LD Learning Disability
- MH Mental Health
- ESOL English for Speakers of Other Languages
- PDP Planned Development Programme
- CACI Paycheck Information Consistent and reliable gross household income estimates for all UK postcodes
- S73 Section 73 Duty to help to secure accommodation for homeless applicants.
- S68 Section 68 Duty to secure interim accommodation for homeless applicants in priority need
- \$106 Section 106 Agreement A legally binding agreement or "planning obligation" between a local planning authority and a property owner.



Equality Impact Assessment Template (including the Welsh language and the Socio-Economic Duty) Mae'r ddogfen hon hefyd ar gael yn Gymraeg / This document is also available in Welsh.

Version	Date	Summary of changes
V.1	July 2024	First draft

Step 1: Background		
1 - What are you assessing?	The Local Housing Market Assessment 2023-2028	
2 - Is this a new or existing proposal?	The 2023-28 Local Housing Market Assessment succeeds the previous Local Housing Market Assessment.	
3 - What are the aims and purpose of this proposal?	This Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) provides a broad analysis of the Isle of Anglesey Housing Market, considering the long-term requirements for housing on Anglesey.	

Step 1: Background		
4 - Who is responsible for the proposal you are assessing?	Housing Services – Strategy, Policy and Commissioning Unit	
5 - Who is the lead officer for this assessment?	Housing Strategy Officer	
6 - Who else is involved in undertaking this assessment?	 Housing Strategy, Policy and Commissioning Unit Planning Policy Unit 	
7 - Is the proposal related to other areas of work? For example, are there other proposals of policies that should be taken into consideration as part of this assessment? The LHMA aligns with the following strategies and plans: • Housing Strategy 2022-27 • Housing Support Grant Programme Strategy 2022- 2026 • Strategic Equality Plan • Rapid Rehousing Transitional Plan The LHMA helps to deliver the aims of the Corporate Plan.		
8 - Is the proposal relevant to how the Authority complies with the public sector	The elimination of discrimination and harassment	yes
general duty relating to people who are protected by the Equality Act 2010?	The advancement of equality of opportunity	yes
As a general rule, any policy that affects	The fostering of good relations	yes
people is likely to be relevant across all protected groups. The protection and promotion of human rights yes		yes

Step 1: Background		
9 – Is the proposal a strategic decision? If so, the Socio-Economic Duty is relevant - see appendix 1.		
10 - Who would be affected by the proposal(s) (adversely or positively, directly or indirectly)? If this is a strategic proposal, ensure that you give specific consideration to whether the proposal would affect more on people living in less favourable social and economic circumstances than others in the same society (see appendix 1)	Potentially all Anglesey citizens but particularly those who are vulnerable and / or who struggle to meet their housing needs. Groups that need special consideration include older people, people with disabilities, those affected by social deprivation.	

Step 2.1: Information Gathering – Welsh Lang	Step 2.1: Information Gathering – Welsh Language Standards and the Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011			
11 - Does this proposal ensure that the Welsh language is treated no less favourably than the English language, in accordance with the Council's Welsh Language Policy?	The Welsh language is not treated less favourably. It ensures housing need is met for people to stay in homes within their communities and on the Island.			
12 - Is there an opportunity here to offer more opportunities for people to learn and / or use the Welsh language on a day-to-day basis?	It will ensure local housing needs are met so people can live in and contribute to their local communities on the Island.			
13 – Will this area of work proactively offer services in Welsh for users?				
14 – Is this proposal likely to protect and promote the Welsh language within communities?	We believe it will.			

Step 2.1: Information Gathering – Welsh Language Standards and the Welsh Language Measure (Wales) 2011

To help you to answer the questions above, the corporate **Impact Assessment Guidance** lists a series of questions which should be considered when assessing how proposals impact on the Welsh language in general. The extent to which these questions are relevant will depend on the proposal in question. However:

- If you are looking at how the implementation of the Council's key policies, strategies or guidance would affect the Welsh language; or
- If your initial response to the above questions raises any concerns or evidence to suggest that the proposal would treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language, or would have a detrimental impact on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language;

a more comprehensive impact assessment on the Welsh language should be carried out. A separate template is available on MonlTor. The Welsh Language Commissioner's good practice advice document is also available on MonlTor to assist you further.

Step 2.2: Information Gathering – Human Rights Act 1998

15 - Are there any Human Rights issues? If so, what are they? For example, could this proposal result in the failure to safeguard the right to privacy?

(The 16 basic rights are listed at Appendix 2).

The assessment will not negatively impact on Human rights.

It should support Article 8 right to respect for private and family life through ensuring sufficient and appropriate accommodation for all households.

Step 2.3: Information Gathering – Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015				
16 – Does this proposal meet any of the seven national well-being goals outlined in the Well-	A prosperous Wales	yes		
being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015?	A resilient Wales	yes		
(Descriptions of the wellbeing goals are listed	A healthier Wales	yes		
at Appendix 3)	A more equal Wales	yes		

A Wales of cohesive communities	yes
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language	yes
A globally responsible Wales	yes

	Step 2.4: Information Gathering – Engagement / Consultation / Evidence / Filling gaps in information Please see the pre-consultation and pre-engagement checklist, which is available on MonITor			
17 - What has been done to date in terms of involvement and consultation with regard to this				
proposal?				
18 – What other information have you used to inform your assessment? Please list any reports, websites, links used etc here and include the relevant evidence in the table in Step 3 below	Census Data, housing register data, land registry data, CACI paycheck data.			
19 - Are there any gaps in the information collected to date? If so, how will these be addressed?	No current gaps.			

Step 3: Considering the potential impact and identifying mitigating action

20 – Note below any likely impact on equality for each individual group, and identify what action could be taken to reduce or improve the impact. *For determining potential impact, please choose from the following: **Negative / Positive / No impact**

Protected group	*Potential Impact	Details of the impact (including evidence to support the findings)	Actions to mitigate negative impact
Age	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	No negative impacts assessed
Disability	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	Our services, venues and interventions will always include accessibility for residents / tenants living with disabilities. We work closely with Adult Services to address the housing need of people with disabilities and this form will continue throughout this strategic plan.
Sex	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data. There is no indication of negative impact on this group.	No negative impacts assessed
Gender Reassignment	Positive	Information specific to this group for the Anglesey area is not currently available. There is no indication of negative impact on this group.	No negative impacts assessed Our staff are encouraged to attend and participate in training regarding this important matter to ensure our services are delivered in a legal, supportive and cohesive manner.
Pregnancy & Maternity	Positive	Although there is no specific information available for this group	No negative impacts assessed Staff are trained on the Equality Act / Protected Characteristics. This plan does not exclude or negatively effect expectant mothers and / or those on maternity leave.

Protected group	*Potential Impact	Details of the impact (including evidence to support the findings)	Actions to mitigate negative impact
Race / Ethnicity / Nationality	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	In the event reasonable adjustments are required to support BAME tenants wishing to participate, those aspects will be covered – this may include interpretation services, written information within their languages of choice Our department hosts the Regional Cohesion Team to which can provide useful information / documents and access to training as required.
Religion or Belief	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	No negative impacts assessed In the event reasonable adjustments are required to support tenants of a certain religion or belief wishing to participate, those aspects will be covered.
Sexual Orientation	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data Stonewall ONS data findings report - Stonewall statement on the 2021 Census Stonewall	This plan aims to provide clarity on how best to support trans and gender-diverse service users and citizens, as well as making sure other characteristics including sex-based protections are correctly and lawfully accounted for in any approach we take. Our department hosts the Regional Cohesion Team meaning we have access to community based hate crime, that includes crime against sexual orientation to which can positively result in more awareness raising and training for staff

Protected group	*Potential Impact	Details of the impact (including evidence to support the findings)	Actions to mitigate negative impact
			to ensure full legal governance is achieved through our service delivery ensuring equal access to all, regardless of sexual orientation.
Marriage or Civil Partnership	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	No negative impacts assessed Our services can be accessed to all regardless of marital status.
Wolch language	Positive	Housing Register Date	No pagativa impagta aggregad
Welsh language	Positive	Housing Register Data. 2021 ONS Census Data.	No negative impacts assessed
Human Rights	Positive	See q15	No negative impacts assessed
Any other relevant issue.	None assessed	None assessed	None assessed

There are clear links between equality and socio-economic issues. Discrimination against protected groups can be a direct cause of socio-economic disadvantage. If any such issues become apparent when assessing non-strategic matters, they should be given due regard and recorded under the relevant protected group, or under 'any other relevant issue' above.

Please complete this section if the proposal is a strategic matter (see appendix 1)				
The Socio-	Potential impact	Details of the impact (including evidence to	Actions to mitigate negative impact	
Economic Duty		support the findings		
Is the proposal likely	Low impact			
to cause any				
inequalities of				
outcome resulting				
from socio-economic				
disadvantage?				

Step 4 – Outcome of the assessment

There are four possible outcomes – bear these in mind when completing the next section:

- **No major change -** The assessment demonstrates the proposal is robust; there is no potential for discrimination or adverse impact. All opportunities to promote equality have been taken.
- Adjust the proposal The assessment identifies potential problems or missed opportunities. Adjust the proposal to remove barriers or better promote equality.
- Continue the proposal The assessment identifies the potential for adverse impact or missed opportunities to promote equality. Clearly set out the justifications for continuing with it. The justification should be included in the assessment and must be in line with the duty to have due regard. For the most important relevant proposals, compelling reasons will be needed.
- Stop and remove the proposal The proposal shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination. It must be stopped and removed or changed. (The codes of practice and guidance on each of the public sector duties on the Commission's website provide information about what constitutes unlawful discrimination.)

Step 4: Outcome of the assessment	
21 - Note the impacts identified and how it is intended to mitigate any negative impact in terms of equality, the Welsh language and, if relevant, socio-economic disadvantage (ie a summary of the table/s in step 3)	No major change.
22 - Describe any actions taken to maximise the opportunity to promote equality and the Welsh language, the goals of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (sustainability) and, if relevant, ensure better outcomes for those facing economic disadvantage.	No major change.
23 - Would any aspect of the proposal contravene the wellbeing goals of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015?	No major change.
24 – Is there a need to look at what could be done differently, or to reconsider the entire proposal as a result of conducting this assessment?	No major change.
(Evidence of negative impact could render the proposal or decision unlawful. If you have identified negative impact, you	

Step 4: Outcome of the assessment	
should consider at this stage whether it is possible to	
proceed with the proposal).	
25 - Is there a strategy for dealing with any unavoidable but not unlawful negative impacts that cannot be mitigated?	No.
26 - Will the proposal be adopted / forwarded for approval? Who will be the decision-maker?	It will be approved by the Executive.
27 - Are there monitoring arrangements in place? What are they?	There will an LHMA refresh during years 2 and 3 of the 5 year LHMA cycle.

Step 5: Action Plan

Please detail any actions that are planned following completion of your assessment. You should include any changes that have been made to reduce or eliminate the effects of potential or actual negative impact, as well as any arrangements to collect data or to carry out further research.

Ref	Proposed actions	Lead officer	Timescale

Appendix 1 – A More Equal Wales – The Socio-Economic Duty (Commencement date of the Duty: 31 March 2021)

What is the Duty?

The general aim of the duty is to ensure better outcomes for those suffering socioeconomic disadvantage. When making strategic decisions such as deciding priorities and setting objectives, due regard must be given to the need to reduce the inequalities of outcome resulting from socio-economic disadvantage.

Who is likely to experience socio-economic disadvantage?

Socio-economic disadvantage can be disproportionate in both 'communities of interest' and 'communities of place', leading to inequality of outcome, which can be further exasperated when considering 'intersectionality':

Communities of interest – groups who share an experience, eg homelessness; or people who share an identity, eg lone parents, carers. Also those who share one or more of the protected characteristics listed in the Equality Act 2010.

Communities of place – people who are linked together because of where they live, work, visit or spend a substantial portion of their time there.

Intersectionality - crucially, this is about understanding the way in which a combination of characteristics such as gender, race or class, can produce unique and often multiple experiences of disadvantage in certain situations. One form of discrimination cannot and should not be understood in isolation from other forms. A truly intersectional approach ensures that this does not happen.

When will the Duty be relevant?

When making **strategic decisions**. The Welsh Government has provided some examples of strategic decisions (this is not an exhaustive list):

- Strategic directive and intent.
- Strategies developed at Regional Partnership Boards and Public Service Boards which impact on public bodies' functions.
- Medium to long term plans (for example, corporate plans, development plans, service delivery and improvement plans).
- Setting objectives (for example, well-being objectives, equality objectives, Welsh language strategy).
- Changes to and development of public services.
- Strategic financial planning.
- Major procurement and commissioning decisions.
- Strategic policy development

Further details can be found in the corporate equality impact assessment guidance.

Human rights are rights and freedoms that belong to all individuals, regardless of their nationality and citizenship. There are 16 basic rights in the Human Rights Act – all taken from the European Convention on Human Rights. For the purposes of the Act, they are known as 'the Convention Rights'. They are listed below:

(Article 1 is introductory and is not incorporated into the Human Rights Act)

Article 2: The right to life

Article 3: Prohibition of torture

Article 4: Prohibition of slavery and forced labour

Article 5: Right to liberty and security

Article 6: Right to a fair trial

Article 7: No punishment without law

Article 8: Right to respect for private and family life

Article 9: Freedom of thought, conscience and religion

Article 10: Freedom of expression

Article 11: Freedom of assembly and association

Article 12: Right to marry

Article 14: Prohibition of discrimination

Article 1 of Protocol 1: Protection of property

Article 2 of Protocol 1: Right to education

Article 3 of Protocol 1: Right to free elections

Article 1 of Protocol 13: Abolition of the death penalty

Appendix 3 - Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

This Act is about improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales. Public bodies need to make sure that when making their decisions they take into account the impact they could have on people living their lives in Wales in the future. The Act puts in place seven well-being goals:

A prosperous Wales:

An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.

A resilient Wales:

A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).

A healthier Wales:

A society in which people's physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.

A more equal Wales:

A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).

A Wales of cohesive communities:

Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities.

A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language:

A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.

A globally responsible Wales:

A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.

Issues to consider with regard to the Welsh Language

The corporate equality impact assessment template includes specific questions about the impact of decisions on the Welsh language (questions 11-14). The extent to which these questions are relevant will depend on the proposal in question.

However:

- If you are looking at how the implementation of the Council's key policies, strategies or guidance would affect the Welsh language; or
- If your initial response to the above questions raises any concerns or evidence to suggest that the proposal would treat the Welsh language less favourably than the English language, or would have a detrimental impact on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language;

a more comprehensive impact assessment on the Welsh language should be carried out. Please complete this template and attach to your equality impact assessment on the same proposal.

The **Welsh Language Commissioner's good practice advice document** is also available on MonITor to assist you further.

What is being assessed?	Local Housing Mareket Assessment 2023-28
Who is carrying out this assessment?	Housing Services – Strategic Plan, Commissioning and Policy
Assessment completion date	October 2024

1 - Compliance with the Welsh Language Policy	
 1.1 Is the proposal influential in terms of dealing with the Welsh-speaking public? Will activities such as corresponding by letter, communicating by telephone, public meetings and other meetings comply with the language policy? Will any new IT development comply with the policy? 	No. Housing Services offer a bilingual service and works with partners who offer bilingual services. All correspondence will be bilingual complying with the Welsh Language Policy.
 1.2 Is the proposal likely to impact upon the public image of the organisation? Will all signs comply with the language policy? Will publications and forms be compliant? Will any publicity material or marketing campaigns comply? Will staff recruitment advertisements comply? 	Yes. Any material relating to this LHMA will be published bilingually.
 1.3 Is the proposal likely to have an impact upon the implementation of the language policy? Will the proposal create new jobs? Will the staffing arrangements facilitate the implementation of the language policy? Will the proposal offer training through the medium of 	Yes, the development of homes leads to work opprtunites for local contractors on the island.

1 - Compliance with the Welsh Language Policy	
Welsh?	
 Will any arrangements with third parties comply with the language policy? 	
 Will the proposal include any targets or indicators relating to 	
the language?	
 How will performance be monitored and measured? 	

2 - Effect on Welsh speaking users		
2.1 Will the proposal offer a language choice for users?	Yes, in accordance with the Council's Policy	
 Will it be possible for users to receive any part of the service in Welsh? 		
2.2 If there a risk for the proposal to discriminate against Welsh speaking service users?	No new service is created through this assessment.	
 Have the needs of Welsh speakers been considered in the proposal? 		
 Are Welsh speakers likely to receive the same standard of service as provided in English? 		
 Are Welsh language arrangements likely to lead to a delay in the service? 		
2.3 Is the proposal likely to make Welsh more visible?	No new service is created through this assessment.	

2 - Effect on Welsh speaking users	
 Is it likely to increase use of the language by producing Welsh language materials and signs? 	No.
 Is it likely to influence others to make more use of Welsh, for example businesses? 	
2.4 Will the Welsh language service in relation to the proposal be accessible?	Yes, in accordance with the Council's Policy
Will the service be as accessible in Welsh as in English?Will the services be available at the same time?	

3 - Effect on Welsh speaking communities

- 3.1 Is the proposal likely to contribute towards safeguarding Welsh in communities?
- Is it likely to contribute towards efforts to tackle the challenges of demographic change and migration - such as providing opportunities for young people to stay in their communities?
- Is it likely to contribute towards the local economy in Welsh speaking areas?
- Will it provide Welsh medium services such as child-minding services?

The LHMA complements our Housing Strategy and the Welsh Language Promotion Strategy which promotes the opportunity for people to stay within their communities and on the Island by ensuring that there are suffient homes to suit the differing needs of households.

According to the Census, the percentage of Welsh speakers in the population aged 16-64 (working age) fell by 27.1%, a decrease of 8% in Welsh speakers aged 3-15; but a 16% increase in the percentage of Welsh speakers over the age of 65.

This means that it is extremely important to hold on to young

3 - Effect on Welsh speaking communities	
	families, encourage Welsh speakers who have moved away to return to the area and encourage individuals to learn Welsh in order to at least maintain the language. Providing sufficient housing that is affordable enough and of the right kind to address the need in the local area and in a Local Service Centre (which is a sustainable location to live in) is an important way of doing this.
3.2 Does the proposal take steps to promote and facilitate the Welsh language?	No new service is created as it is an assessment of housing need.
 Does the proposal contribute towards Welsh medium community activities? Does it offer opportunities for young people to use Welsh outside school hours? 	
 Does it offer a new service that will also be available in Welsh for example leisure or sporting activities and provision? Does it contribute or add value to other activities relating to language, such as the work of the local Welsh language initiative (Menter laith), the Urdd etc. 	

4 - Contribution towards Welsh language standards, language policies, strategies and other relevant guidance relating to the Welsh language	
4.1 The language policies of partner organisations or nearby public bodies:	No new service is created as it is an assessment of housing need.
 Is the authority working in partnership on the proposal? 	

4 - Contribution towards Welsh language standards, language po	licies, strategies and other relevant guidance relating to the
Welsh language	
 Which other organisations are likely to be affected by the development? 	
 Do those organisations have Welsh language standards or language policies? 	
Does the proposal contribute towards these schemes?	
4.2 Relevant Welsh language strategies:	Yes, it will increase opportunities for people to have access to housing within their communities and the Island. See 3.1 above.
 Will the proposal contribute towards the Anglesey Welsh Language Strategic Forum's Welsh Language Strategic Plan 2016 – 2021 which was adopted by this Council in September 2016? How does the proposal contribute towards the vision of the Assembly Government for one million Welsh speakers by 2050? 	

5 - The impacts identified and assessed

5.1 What impacts and effects have you identified (ie summary of the responses to the above questions) together with the probability and likely severity/ significance of impact? How do you plan to address these impacts in order to improve the outcomes for the Welsh language? Detail mitigation measures/ alternative options to reduce adverse impacts and increase positive outcomes:

Positive impact	The LHMA provides an opportunity to plan for sufficient housing

5 - The impacts identified and assessed	
	stock to suit the needs of different households. The assessment
	also ensures alignment with other strategies and plans.
Adverse impact	No adverse impact identified.
Opportunities to promote the Welsh language e.g. status, use of Welsh language services, use of Welsh in everyday life, Welsh at work increased?	Any service that is provided in relation to the LHMA will be provided in Welsh in accordance with Welsh language standards and the Council's Welsh language policy
Evidence / data used to support your assessment:	2011 Census data about the number of Welsh speakers by age

6 - Consultation	
6.1 During consultation, what questions do you wish to ask about the Welsh Language Impacts?	We have completed an Impact Assessment on the positive and negative impact on Equality and the Welsh Language. In your opinion, have we missed anything?
Guidance has been included in the pre-consultation and pre-engagement checklist, which is available on MonlTor	
6.2 With whom are you consulting? How are Welsh language interest groups likely to respond?	Consultation with key stakeholders and the public.
6.3 Following consultation, what changes have you made to address language issues raised?	No changes

7 – Post consultation, final proposals and ongoing monitoring	
7.1 Summarise your final decisions, list the likely effects on the Welsh language and how you will promote/ mitigate these. Record your compliance with the Welsh language standards.	No negative impact identified
You will need to refer to this summary in the equality impact assessment template (Step 4 – result of the assessment)	
7.2 How will you monitor the ongoing effects during the implementation of the policy?	The action plan at the end of the equality impact assessment template should be used to note any actions planned following completion of the assessment.

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ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL		
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny Committee	
Date:	19 November 2024	
Subject:	Procurement Strategic Plan 2024-2029 and Contract Procedure Rules	
Purpose of Report:	To present the draft Procurement Strategic Plan and the Contract Procedure Rules for comment before it is submitted to the Executive and full Council for approval.	
Scrutiny Chair:	Councillor Douglas Fowlie	
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Robin Williams	
Head of Service:	Marc Jones Director of Function (Resources) and Section 151 Officer	
Report Author: Email:	Alun T Roberts, Corporate Programme Manager <u>AlunRoberts@ynysmon.llyw.cymru</u>	
Local Members:	Relevant to all Elected Members	

1 - Recommendation/s

The Committee is invited to comment on the draft Procurement Strategic Plan 2024- 2029 and the Contract Procedure Rules before it is presented to the Executive and full Council for approval.

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

This key publication supports the delivery of our Council Plan and sets out our ambitions for better procurement to support the creation of an Anglesey that is healthy and prosperous where people can thrive.

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

- 1. How will the changes contribute to the Council achieving the objectives set out in the Council plan?
- 2. To what extent will the changes improve the Council's ability to achieve value for money?
- 3. How will the Council ensure compliance with the new strategy, the new legislation and the changes to the Contract Procedure Rules?
- 4. How will the Council be supporting local businesses apply for contracts?
- 5. How will the data be collected to shape / increase the Council knowledge?

5 - Background / Context

Following on from the UK's decision to leave the European Union, the UK Government has taken the opportunity to revise the legislation in respect of procurement in the public sector. The Procurement Act 2023 will come into force on 24 February 2025, which is later than the initial planned date of 28 October 2024. In addition, the Welsh Government has passed the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023, which places additional responsibilities and duties on public sector organisations in Wales in respect of procurement.

In response to the changing legislation, the Council commissioned an external company to review the Council's preparedness for the change in legislation and to provide the Council with an action plan to ensure that the Council was in a position to comply with the legislation. The action plan covered a number of areas, including:- the overall strategy, governance, roles and responsibilities, training, data and information systems and communications.

The Council has subsequently contracted with the external company to assist in the delivery of the action plan. A significant part of the action plan will be delivered prior to the new legislation coming into force, with further work planned up until March 2026, when the support contract ends.

Procurement Strategic Plan

The new Procurement Strategic Plan is set out in the Council's standard template and covers the period to March 2029. Procurement is an important aspect of how the Council undertakes its business and is vital to ensure the Council delivers the strategic objectives set out in the Council Plan. It also ensures that the Council achieves value for money, that procurement is delivered in a sustainable way that maximises the benefit for the local economy and local communities, and that the procurement method is compliant with all of the legal obligations set out in the new Procurement legislation and the Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

The Strategic Plan sets out how the Council will:-

- set an example and lead on undertaking procurement in a controlled, commercial and sustainable way;
- use commercial information to guide how procurement is undertaken, with the aim of reducing costs, minimising risks and maximising the benefits to the local economy;
- embrace social value, minimise environmental impacts and reduce carbon emissions;
- drive compliance with the legislation;
- manage contractor performance to ensure value for money and minimise risk.

The Council's performance on implementing the Procurement Strategic Plan effectively will be done by reporting regularly to the Council's Leadership Team and to the Executive, and through an annual report on Procurement to the Governance and Audit Committee.

Contract Procedure Rules

The second part of this report relates to changing the Council's Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs). The CPRs set out the process on how to undertake a procurement exercise and sets out the different procurement methods and when they should be used. The change in procurement legislation does require the Council to update the CPRs and it provides an opportunity to ensure that the CPRs are flexible enough to allow officers to undertake procurement exercises in the most efficient and effective way, whilst still ensuring that any procurement exercise is controlled and ensures that the Council achieves value for money.

The revised CPRs have been drafted by the Council's external procurement support in consultation with the Director of Function (Council Business) / Monitoring Officer, the Director of Function (Resources) / Section 151 Officer and the Council's Procurement Team. The CPRs will be supported by a detailed Procurement Handbook, which is currently being drafted.

The Director of Function (Council Business) / Monitoring Officer reported to the Council on removing the CPRs from the Council's Constitution and to delegate the approval of the CPRs to the Executive. The Council approved the change at its meeting on 26 September 2024.

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

6.1 Potential impacts on protected groups under the Equality Act 2010

Not applicable

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

The strategy aims to maximise the local economic benefit for Anglesey, by maximising the amount the Council spends locally, as allowed by the Regulations. This should improve the local economy and be of benefit to those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage.

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

No Impact - All services offered for Anglesey residents will be bilingual.

7 – Financial Implications

The implementation of the strategy and the CPRs is designed to ensure value for money and the prevent unnecessary costs and any costs arising from potential legal challenges to decisions made by the Council in its procurement of works, goods and services.

8 - Appendices:

Appendix A - Draft Procurement Strategic Plan 2024-2029 Appendix B - Contract Procedure Rules - Summary of changes

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

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Ynys Môn Anglesey

Procurement Strategic Plan 2024 - 2029

Mae'r ddogfen hon hefyd ar gael yn y Gymraeg /

This document is also available in Welsh.



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Foreword



Marc Jones - Director of Function (Resources) – Section 151 Officer



Cllr Robin Williams - Finance Portfolio Holder

Welcome to our procurement strategic plan for 2024 – 2029. This key publication supports the delivery of our Council Plan and sets out our ambitions for better procurement to support the creation of an Anglesey that is healthy and prosperous where people can thrive.

The Council is currently facing significant challenges; demand for our services continues to rise as the cost of providing them is also rising. This does not mean we are any less committed and effective procurement is essential.

We will use our commercial arrangements to support local businesses as much as possible. We will identify efficiencies and drive forward innovation, whilst ensuring that services are cost effective, and the opportunities we offer to the businesses and citizens of the Island are of high value and benefit.

We have a strong track record of supporting local businesses, with an average of 25% of contracts being awarded to suppliers on the Island. We will continue to strive to maintain, if not improve, this.

The strategic procurement plan builds upon the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act, the Procurement Act 2023, Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023 and Health Service Procurement (Wales) Act 2024. It aims to support our communities and ensure compliant spending and value for money.

Why do we need a Procurement strategic plan?



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£10.9bn*

Per annum Total Local Government Revenue Budget 2024/25



£221.2m*

Isle of Anglesey Revenue Expenditure Budget 2024/25 The Council recognises that procurement decisions can have a major socio-economic and environmental implication, both locally and globally, now and for future generations. The associated procurement activity is critical to ensuring that not only is best value being obtained, but that public money is spent in a way that protects both people and the environment and is vital to:-

- Achieve compliance to manage risks;
- Deliver the strategic objectives of the Council Plan;
- Demonstrate the Council's core values;
- Further sustainable development;
- Stimulate innovation;
- Avoid unnecessary costs.

The Council also recognises its responsibility to take a robust approach to ethical and sustainability issues, especially around modern slavery and human trafficking, which we are absolutely committed to preventing, within our supply chains.

The strategic plan is not intended to be an operational guide to procurement; however, the objectives should be applied to all our procurement activity.

Council Plan 2023-2028 Strategic Objectives

The Council Plan is the key document serving as a focal point for decision-making at all levels; providing a framework to plan and drive forward priorities; shape annual spending; monitor performance and progress.

At its core is our desire to work with Anglesey residents, communities and partners to ensure the best possible services, improve the quality of life for all and create opportunities for future generations.

Its six main objectives reflect the key areas the Council should be focusing its efforts on:-

The Council Plan's vision is to:-

Create an Anglesey that is healthy and prosperous where people can thrive.'



The Welsh Language

Increase the opportunities to learn and use the language.



Social Care and Wellbeing

Providing the right support at the right time.



Education

Ensuring an effective provision for today and for future generations.



Housing

Ensuring that everyone has the right to call somewhere home.



Economy

Promoting opportunities to develop the Island's economy.



Climate Change

Responding to the crisis, tackling change and working towards becoming a net zero organisation by 2030.



Council Plan 2023 to 2028 (gov.wales)

Council Plan 2023–2028 – Values

The Council Plan 2023-28 is underpinned by the organisation's core values, which are used to develop and guide the vision, strategic plans and services.



Respect

We are respectful and considerate towards others regardless of our differences.



Collaborate

We work as a team, with our communities and partners, to deliver the best outcomes for the people of Anglesey.





Honesty

We are committed to high standards of conduct and integrity.



Champion the Council and the Island

We create a sense of pride in working for the Council and present a positive image for the Council and the Island.

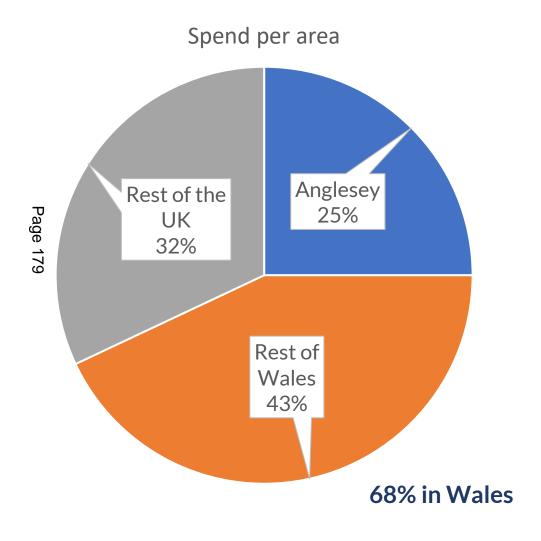
Purpose of the Procurement Strategic Plan

The purpose of the Procurement Strategic Plan is to ensure the way the Council commissions and sources its services, supplies, and works is compliant with legislation, internal policies and processes, ethical, open, fair, transparent, and includes economic, social, labour and environmental factors into the process.

It will provide strategic direction by:-

- Engaging regionally and nationally to understand areas of good practice;
- Improving the quality and cost effectiveness of delivering public services to citizens;
- Be a mechanism to challenge current service arrangements and find new models for service delivery;
- This Ensure contracts and spending is compliant;
- Achieve better realised savings that can be channelled back into priority services;
- a Achieve added social value and wider added value to citizens through the effective use of supply chains;
- Advancing our ambitions around supporting local suppliers and keeping the Welsh pound in Wales;
- Ensure the Council complies with the:-
 - Procurement Act 2023 and sub-ordinate legislation;
 - Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023;
 - Wellbeing and Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015;
 - Welsh Procurement Policy Statement.
- Advancing our activities around ethical and sustainable behaviours, especially around modern slavery and the protection of the environment;
- Re-affirming our commitment to considering the social, economic and environmental consequences of what is procured at all stages of the life-cycle;
- Ensure that the Council delivers best value.

Baseline Data – Spend 2023/24



101 contracts

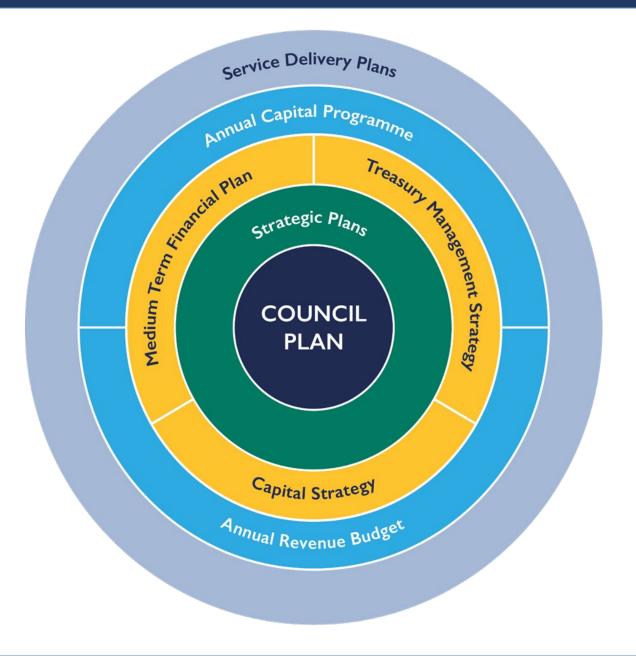
Top 6 contracts:-

- 1. Highway Maintenance
- 2. Gas and Electricity
- 3. Waste Collection
- 4. Pavement Maintenance
- 5. Construction Business Units
- 6. School Catering

Strategic circle

The strategic circle identifies the plans in place to ensure we are able to achieve our priorities and objectives.

This plan is a key strategic plan that aligns with the Council's Plan and contributes to the ahievement of the strategic objectives and vision.



Strategic context

There is a wealth of International, UK Governmental and Welsh Governmental strategies and legislation that influences public procurement activity.

International

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World Trade Organisation Government Procurement Agreement

EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement (and other trade agreements)

Mutual Recognition Agreements

UN Sustainable Development Goals

UK Government

Procurement Legislation

Modern Slavery Act

Welsh Government

Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Act 2023

Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Welsh Public Procurement Policy Notes

Wales Procurement Policy Statement

National Social Value Measurement Framework for Wales

Local Government

Council Plan 2023 - 2028

Contract Procedure Rules

Procurement Strategic Plan

Social Value / Community Benefits Policy

Towards Net Zero Plan 2022 to 2025

Other Council Strategic Plans and Policies

Key priority areas

'Create an Anglesey that is healthy and prosperous where people can thrive.'

- 1. Leadership and culture
- 2. Data and commercially informed
- 3. Social value and environment
- 4. Drive compliance
- 5. Local economy

Key priority: Leadership and culture

Why is this important?

Good procurement can have a decisive impact on the outcome of procurements, service delivery and wider developments.

The culture and capability of the Council around good procurement is essential in delivering the Procurement Strategic Plan and the Council's strategic objectives.

Effective engagement and relationships with stakeholders is important to deliver a range of benefits, including improved outcomes for the public, added social value, reduced cost, reduced risk and innovation.

What will we do?

- Lead by example and ensure that we promote the very best strategic procurement.
- Ensure that Councillors, senior leaders and partners are engaged and champion procurement and collaboration.
- Champion social value, sustainable and ethical behaviours in all that we do.
- Engage with strategic suppliers and do more pre-market engagement.
- Deliver early procurement and commercial advice to deliver better outcomes from projects
- Work as single "whole Council" team.

- Use our skills and expertise to develop our added value.
- Enhance reporting to better enable everyone to perform their roles effectively.
- Improve data gathering.
- Share data on performance, social value and risk.
- Participate in strategic regional or national groups.
- Clarify roles and responsibilities
- Share our successes and lessons learnt internally and with others.

Key priority: Data and commercially informed

Why is this important?

In a landscape of reducing finance, increasing costs and demands, the Council needs to explore other means of reducing funding deficits and meeting demands.

Improving contractor performance & reducing commercial failure can protect reputations and better enable the delivery of effective services and support to local communities.

The occurrence of risk, particularly when it could be foreseen, can have a devastating impact on the reputation and lives of residents, the quality of the services provided and financial viability.

What will we do?

- Enable new processes and methods to be developed, allowing tendering to be focused on innovation and opportunities.
- Consider more risk-based sourcing.
- Work collaboratively across the region.
- Ensure suppliers improve on their reporting and delivery of social value commitments.
- Manage risks by appropriate forward planning, market research, early engagement and contingency planning.
- Identification of strategically important contracts / suppliers and supply chain vulnerabilities.
- Systems, procedures and staff delivering consistently high results.

- Provide training on:-
 - contract management;
 - supplier relationship management;
 - Procurement processes and methods.
- Review and update Contract Procedure Rules.
- Introduce guidance and clear processes in the Procurement Handbook.
- Contract reviews and supplier relationship management are more commonplace and seen as fundamental to creation of new opportunities.
- Focus tendering activities on innovation and opportunities.
- Analyse and identify spend and report savings.

Key priority: Social value and environment

Why is this important?

Our communities and how they thrive is crucial to the success of the Island as a place to live, work and enjoy.

Procurement, through the creation of social value, has significant opportunities to improve the conomic and social wellbeing from public contracts over and above the delivery of the services directly required, at no extra cost.

By considering the environmental impact of our procurement, we can minimize any negative effects and create positive outcomes. This includes reducing carbon emissions and footprint and supporting biodiversity gain / nature recovery.

What will we do?

- Embrace social value and environmental considerations in all procurement activity (where relevant and proportionate).
- Require suppliers to work with the Council to reach its climate change and biodiversity targets.
- Ensure both financial and nonfinancial outcomes are delivered by suppliers.
- Mainstream our social value and environmental priorities by working with stakeholders to engage with the suppliers through events, dropin sessions, meet the buyer, training and workshops.
- Influence suppliers to acknowledge and take steps to promote the Welsh language, in line with our strategic aims.

- Take a proactive place-based approach to social value and consider climate change and biodiversity aims in all procurement.
- Mainstream the use of social value and environmental tools to support procurement undertaken.
- Where relevant, ensure social value is a key performance indicator (KPI) in contracts and contracts managed.
- Update our website with appropriate guidance and signpost to support.
- Require all suppliers to sign up to the Expectations in Appendix B.
- Providing training internally and externally where needed to mainstream social value and environmental requirements.

Key priority: Drive Compliance

Why is this important?

Poor procurement and contractor performance can seriously damage reputation and ability to deliver effective services and support to local communities.

Off-contract spending can have a serious impact on the achievement of value for money, undermines relationships with suppliers and reduces cost control measures. In addition, it opens up the risk of non-compliance with legislation, delivery of strategic objectives and, therefore, challenge on contract awards.

What will we do?

- Ensure simplicity and speed to market.
- Ensure suppliers comply with specifications.
- Conduct robust data analysis so we can manage, plan, monitor and report on our activity.
- Use data to inform our strategic procurement and collaborative approach.
- Clearly define roles and responsibilities.
- Provide clear guidance.

- Ensure contracts register is complete and accurate, and used to support forward planning and off-contract spend.
- Create clear policies, effective Contract Procedure Rules and provide a Procurement Handbook.
- Regular analysis and compliance checks, with results report to senior leadership.
- Providing training to staff on the procurement & commissioning cycle and introduce guidance.
- Measure performance regularly across the Council.

Key priority: Local Economy

Why is this important?

By contracting with local suppliers, we can help stimulate the local economy. This keeps money circulating within the community, supporting local and creating jobs.

Spurcing goods and services locally can reduce the carbon footprint associated with transportation. This supports environmental sustainability objectives.

Local suppliers are often more flexible and responsive to the specific needs of the community. This can lead to better service delivery and increased resilience.

What will we do?

- Provided the Council can identify a sufficient number of local suppliers with the necessary capacity and experience to meet its requirements, the Council will adopt a regional approach to sourcing below threshold contracts.
- When conditions are met, reserve contracts for businesses with a social purpose.
- Simplify procurement processes and documentation to encourage more small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to bid for contracts.

- Engage with local businesses through 'meet the buyer' events and exhibitions.
- Providing constructive feedback to unsuccessful bidders to help them improve future bids.
- Offering resources to help local businesses understand the Council's procurement process.
- Using Local Supplier Directories:
 Creating and maintaining directories of local suppliers and social enterprises can help authorities easily find and engage with local businesses.
- Identify barriers to the procurement process for SME's and the voluntary and social enterprise sectors.

Governance: monitoring and evaluation

This plan creates a new vision for procurement within the Council, and new measures for monitoring performance of:-

- Local Spend;
- SME Spend;
- Social Value Inclusion and Weighting;
- Social Value Promised;
- Social Value Delivered;
- On / Off Contract Spend;
- Exceptions / Waivers from Competition;
- Supplier Carbon Reduction Plans.

To ensure the plan is realised, we will establish robust arrangements focusing on the current 2-year action plan, and subsequent annual action plans thereafter.

We will report to the Leadership Team regularly on progress, and to the Executive and Governance and Audit Committee annually or when requested.

Our arrangements will ensure clarity, accountability, coordination and the structure to monitor progress effectively.

Appendix A: Procurement & Commissioning Cycle



Appendix B1: Supplier Expectations (Core)

The Council expects all of its suppliers (and their sub-contractors) to:-

- Not engage in criminal conduct or activity;
- Comply with labour and environmental laws, and not engage in human rights or environmental abuses;
- Adopt and conduct their trading activities in accordance with the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) Base Code, which is based on the International Labour Organisation's (ILO) internationally recognised Code of Labour Standards;
- Confirm their commitment to abide by the principles as set out in the **Co-operative Party Charter Against Modern Slavery**:
- Ensure workers are aware they may join a trade union and are not to be treated unfairly for belonging to one;
- E Comply with labour and other appropriate laws (e.g. The Equality Act 2010);
- Provide fair payment for supplies, works and services through the supply chain;
- Provide workers with fair wages;
- Not to blacklist workers:
- Not use tyres over 10 years old in accordance with the <u>Tyred Campaign</u>;
- Act ethically and sustainably in how they manage and operate their business, including the provision of services, manufacture and / or delivery of supplies, or provision of works;
- Contribute to the Council's ambition of being a net zero organisation by 2030 by helping to create a more sustainable Wales, UK and globe by creating a lower carbon supply chain;
- Ensure the Welsh language is acknowledged, protected and actively promoted where possible, in accordance with the Council's strategic objectives and relevant legislation;
- Provide sufficient guarantees that they implement appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure their processing of personal data meets data protection legislation requirements and that they also implement adequate controls and measures to limit the impact of cyber threats to the security and integrity of the Council's data sets.

Appendix B2: Supplier Expectations (Additional)

Where relevant and proportionate, the Council expects all suppliers (and their sub-contractors) to:-

- Provide their services, manufacture and / or delivery of supplies, or provision of works that are accredited to recognised standards (or at least match the requirements of relevant accreditations without actually being accredited) across ethical considerations, for example:-
 - International, European, or British Standards;
 - **EMAS**;

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- Good agricultural standards and practices (GlobalG.A.P.);
- Consumer facing standards (e.g. Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance, Tea Sourcing Partnership);
- Furniture (<u>FSC</u> and <u>PEFC</u>); Social accountability (<u>SA8000</u>).

The Council also expects, where relevant and proportionate, all suppliers (and their sub-contractors) to work with us and our partners to:-

• Adhere to the <u>Fair Tax Mark</u> standards – ensure that your organisation pays the right amount of tax which funds vital public services and goods.

Appendix B3: Baseline Data

We will look to improve data gathering and reporting, baselining necessary data in the first 2 years, and measuring improvements thereafter.

This baseline will include: -

- Regional Spend (Anglesey);
- Regional Spend (Gwynedd);
- Regional Spend (Rest of North Wales);
- National Spend (Rest of Wales);
- Average Social Value Weighting;
- Social Value promised;
- Social Value delivered, On / Off Contract Spend.

Summary of Changes

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The Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs) have been significantly altered in appearance. These changes are proposed to take account of changes in legislation (both current and future), facilitate ease of finding information, strengthen a number of provisions and move non-essential information and guidance into a Procurement Handbook.

The Procurement Handbook is not available in a draft at the time of preparing this summary document.

These changes have meant removal of certain rules and addition of some new rules / thresholds. The detail of the reasoning behind these are set out below:-

Removals from CPRs

Current Rule Number	What it says	Why it has been removed		
4.9.2.3	Partnerships	Not a procurement matter and dealt with under Financial Procedure Rules. Procurement matter are dealt within new Rule 1.		
4.9.7.5	Means of returning Tenders	This is outdated and not current practice.		
4.9.3.2.4	Waiver / Exception justification for additional work by the same contractor if they did an earlier phase and this has been previously identified	It is not clear what is meant by "previously identified". This encourages complacency by Services, and allows poor planning, and effectively circumventing the aggregation rules.		
		Anything that was planned for properly should be incorporated in some way into the procurement / contract, and would be a provided Modification. Anything else would be a non-provided for modification and the relevant grounds used.		
		Anything else should be re-competed as it clearly was not considered detrimental enough to have planned for.		
4.9.3.2.7	Waiver / Exemption for: Art and artistic works (below Threshold)	Commissioning of poets (literature festivals), artists, pre-existing works of art etc. cannot be tendered, and there is specific justifications for non-competition in the Act, so has been included in the exempt list for application of CPRs.		
		Anything above Threshold will be able to be Waived under new Rule 12.1.4.i).		

Summary of Changes

Current What it says Rule Number		Why it has been removed		
4.9.6	£10k to £30k Procurement	This has been removed and value subsumed into new Value Band B (£12k to Threshold).		

Additions to CPRs

What it says	Why it has been added
Statement of delegation below Director of Functions (Section 151 Officer and Monitoring Officer)	To be clear that, through planned delegation, this role may be delegated when considered necessary (e.g. during periods of leave). This is considered necessary given the changes made around approvals for Waivers and Modifications.
Addition of a Procurement Handbook and that this should be read in conjunction with the CPRs	The Procurement Handbook will be "issued" by Director of Function (Resources) / Section 151 Officer, and will be a mandatory tool to aid and guide Officers on what they need to do for various procurements.
	It allows the CPRs to focus on "the Rules" and minimum essential requirements, with the Handbook focussing on guidance and best practice approaches to securing value for money.
Interpretations and Definitions	To ensure that the appropriate people only interpret the CPRs, and definitions are made clear for all those reading the CPRs.
	Alignment with legislation around values (i.e. move from Net to Gross).
Creation of a pipeline of commissioning / procurement intentions	To support compliance with Welsh National Procurement Policy Statement and legislation.
Arrangements to which these rules do not apply:-	, and the second
Non-Executive Director appointments and public enquiries	Exempt from application of the Act so should be exempt from CPRs.
Financial securities and investments	Exempt from application of the Act so should be exempt from CPRs.
	Statement of delegation below Director of Functions (Section 151 Officer and Monitoring Officer) Addition of a Procurement Handbook and that this should be read in conjunction with the CPRs Interpretations and Definitions Creation of a pipeline of commissioning / procurement intentions Arrangements to which these rules do not apply:- Non-Executive Director appointments and public enquiries

New	What it says Why it has been added			
Rule Number		,		
3.1.6-8	Legal Services related to litigation	Exempt from application of the Act so should be exempt from CPRs.		
3.1.10	Certain contracts between the public sector	Taking principles set out in the Act, genuine co- operation agreements should be excluded.		
3.1.11	Artists or artistic works (below Threshold)	Commissioning of poets (literature festivals), artists, pre-existing works of art etc. cannot be tendered, and there is specific justifications for non-competition in the Act so, for below Threshold, should be exempt from CPRs.		
3.1.12	Continuation of care where change could be harmful to user (Below Regulation Threshold)	Recognition of the potential for subordinate legislation to the Health Services Procurement (Wales) Act 2024 to replicate the Provider Selection Regime in England. This is for the overriding needs of the user, competition should be avoided where possible — currently only applies to below threshold arrangements, but can easily update once legislation is passed. Still a need to comply with Procurement Act 2023 (PA23) in the meantime.		
3.1.13	Adult Social Care Nursing, Residential Care Homes, and Open Access Sexual Health Services	Recognition that these may not be able to be procured due to their very nature, as provided for by other legislation. E.g. Sexual Health – resident can go to any clinic, but the Council must pay the costs – the Council has no choice on where that individual goes. Still a need to comply with PA23. See rational for 3.2.12 as also applicable.		
3.1.14	Anything specifically excluded by legislation	Just covering all future basis.		
5	All of Section 5 – Pre-Procurement Activity	Not all of this is new, but this sets out clearly, in one place, all matters that must be considered before commencing procurement of any value, rather than being dotted around in various Rules.		

New Rule Number	What it says	Why it has been added		
5.3	Preliminary market engagement, Market Research and Consultation	To make it clear that engagement with the market before commencing procurement activity is allowed and positively encouraged. This helps to ensure best value is obtained by discussing with the market.		
5.4	Specifications, Standards and Award Criteria	Setting out clear requirements that these need to be prepared for all procurement activity, again to ensure value for money is obtained.		
5.5.3	Requirement Procurement Activity Table	A single tabular format setting out relevant thresholds and minimum required process to be followed. Easier to understand.		
	£30k to Threshold procurements. Services now have a choice of closed or openly advertised competition	The Act (and the current Public Contracts Regulations 2015) allow for closed competitions below Threshold.		
		They do, however, require that when you advertise locally, you must also advertise nationally first.		
		The current CPRs mandate that any procurement activity over £30k must be openly advertised.		
		The Council should take advantage of the legislation, and allow closed competitions to local suppliers in the tiering approach set out in the draft CPRs. This also falls inline with the new draft Procurement Strategic Plan. A closed competition means that the Service identify a number of bidders that they believe are capable of delivering the services, and only invite them.		
5.6	Specific Care Services Procurement	These types of contracts do not necessarily fit with the traditional and more regularised process for procurement, given the nature of these contracts, and the need for user / parent / carer choice to be incorporated.		
		A number of English Councils have all introduced something in the CPRs around this area of spend / care packages pre-Provider Selection Regime. The Provider Selection Regime, in effect, replaces this for English Councils, and allows direct awards for certain health services.		

New	What it says Why it has been added				
Rule		,,			
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		It is STAR's understanding, through the Health Services Procurement (Wales) Act 2024, the Welsh Government will be looking to replicate this in Wales in 2025.			
		The Rule sets out the expectation that traditional procurements routes should be created and used wherever possible. However, where a limited set of conditions / grounds applies, and traditional routes cannot meet the needs, a direct award is permissible. Approval is required by the Director of Social Services and a waiver is not necessary.			
		Where the limited conditions / grounds are not met, a waiver will be required.			
		Still a need to comply with PA23 in the meantime, hence applying to below threshold for now, and various notices will need to be published using the Waiver process for anything above Threshold.			
5.7	Conflicts of Interest, Anti-Bribery and Corruption	Bolsters the current provision and takes account of the need for Conflict Assessments and Registers under PA23.			
6.3.5	£30k to Threshold procurements. Point to handbook for "allowable restrictions on eligibility of bidders".	It is intended in England, through a subordinate Regulation to the PA23, to allow a below Threshold open advert that is restricted to a County. It is not yet legislation.			
		STAR understands that the Welsh Government is also seeking to reflect this in a further piece of Welsh legislation prior to the commencement of the Act.			
		It has been attempted to future proof CPRs for this eventuality, so the Procurement Handbook can be updated without a change to CPRs being required.			
7.2.1	Approval from Procurement Manager required where 3 quotes not received	To ensure that an appropriate process has been followed, with competent and capable suppliers having been invited.			
8	Termination of a Procurement	Added to reflect new legislation.			

New	What it says	Why it has been added
Rule Number	What it says	willy it has been added
9	Call-Off Contracts	Made more robust provisions and clarity around use of Frameworks and similar.
10	Contract Provisions and Formalities	Made this clear and easier to understand by consolidating into a single place.
11	Contract Management (notices)	Added provision to ensure the Handbook is consulted around mandatory notices.
12.1	An expanded and clarified list of examples of circumstances that are allowed. It also makes clear that for Threshold Contracts, in addition to the justifications in the Rules, those in the Act also apply.	Current remaining justifications (after those that have been removed) are broadly similar to the new Rules, however, the new Rules provide greater clarity on what is meant (e.g. urgency). This new list provides a clearer idea to Officers as to what is considered appropriate, along with appropriate caveats and restrictions (e.g. no reasonable alternative), and they will need justification and evidence against these. This reduces any potential of unrestricted freedom that the current rules have on seeking a waiver, and that appropriate actions are
		necessary in order to evidence there is no other reasonable alternative. There are also some additional justifications that will allow the potential for more efficient procurement in the future (e.g. co-termination of contracts following a Service review).
12.2	An expanded list of grounds for seeking a modification to contract.	The current rules have limited restrictions on when seeking a Modification to contract is appropriate or not.
		This seeks to address this by placing appropriate restrictions on Modifications so that there is probity in Service actions.
	Differentiation between below Threshold and above Threshold justifications	Whilst restrictions from current Rules are being suggested, the Council should still take advantage of the flexibilities it has with below Threshold contracts. The grounds for justification are similar to those of the PA23, but the restrictions on use are increased (from 50% of current value, to 100% of original value).

Summary of Changes

New Rule Number	What it says	Why it has been added
12.3	Procedure for requesting a Wavier or Modification	The current Rules are a little ambiguous of what is required to request a Waiver / Modification, and who approves. This seeks to make this clear, as well as the need for notices.
12.4	Emergency	As the current Rules don't really set out the general procedure clearly, there is ambiguity on if you can't meet the approval requirements. This seeks to address this.
12.5	Non-Compliance with Rules	The current Rules don't have provision for what to do if you haven't followed the Rules. This seeks to address this.

Other Amendments to Note

Current Rule Number	What it says	Comments
4.9.1	Introduction and Need for CPRs	These have been largely retained under new Rule 1, 2 & 4, with amendments to structure and wording. The general emphasis has been retained. Some elements (definitions) moved into new
		Appendix 1.
4.9.2	General Principles	These have been largely retained under new Rules 1, 2 & 4, with amendments to structure and wording. The general emphasis has been retained.
4.9.1.5	Arrangements to which the CPRs do not apply	Moved to a new Rule 3, these have been incorporated but a couple of new ones added to future proof legislative changes, and allow more things to be out of scope.
4.9.2.2	Joint Procedures	General meaning has been maintained, but wording amended and included in new Rule 1.
4.9.3	Exceptions	These have been moved towards the end, under new Rule 12.1 to help make clear that these are a last resort. These have been re-worded, and some removed, removals in the first table.
4.9.4.1	Pre-Procurement	This has been moved into new rule 5, and expanded on.

Current	What it says	Comments		
Rule Number				
4.9.4.2, 4.9.4.3, 4.9.4.5 - 8	Competition Rules and e-tendering Procurement Service Consultation Competition Routes Requirements	These have been subsumed into new Rule 5, 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3.		
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Everything after pre-procurement necessary for each of the procurement routes is set out in each rule.		
		There is no moving around the Constitution to fully understand what is required. Each step is stated in the relevant rule in the relevant order. Aims to reduce any confusion and ambiguity.		
4.9.5	Sub-£10k Procurement	This has been moved into new Rules 5 and 6.1.		
4.9.7	£30k to Threshold Procurement	This has been moved into new Rule 5, 6.3, and 7, and includes Threshold Procurement.		
4.9.8	Specification, Evaluation and Acceptance	This has been moved into new Rule 5 and 7, and includes Threshold Procurement. This information is limited to the needs to knows, with the remainder being reserved for the Procurement Handbook.		
4.9.9	Terms to be included in competitions	This has been moved into new Rules 5, 6.2, and 6.3, and will be included in the Procurement Handbook.		
4.9.9.3	Sealing	This has been moved to new Rule 10.		
		It has also been increased from £50k to Threshold, and includes all Execution of Works contracts and other mandatory requirements.		
		Specific Care Services has a £500k threshold to recognise the nature of these contracts.		
		Benchmarking showed that the Anglesey sealing threshold was considerably lower than neighbours (between £100k and £350k in North Wales Councils). Threshold seems appropriate due to the inherent risks within.		
4.9.10	Post Contract Management	This has been moved to new Rule 11.		
4.9.10.3 &	Modifications to Contract	This has been moved to new Rule 12.2, with additional provisions included to make this more robust.		
4.9.11	Variations	This has been moved to new Rule 12.2.		

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template			
Committee:	Corporate Scrutiny Committee		
Date:	19 th November, 2024		
Subject: Corporate Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme			
Purpose of Report:	Assist the Scrutiny Committee in considering, agreeing and reviewing its forward work programme for 2024/25		
Scrutiny Chair:	Cllr Douglas Fowlie		
Portfolio Holder(s):	Not applicable		
Head of Service:	Lynn Ball, Director of Function (Council Business) / Monitoring Officer		
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Local Members: Applicable to all Scrutiny Members			

1 - Recommendation/s

The Committee is requested to:

R1 agree the current version of the forward work programme for 2024/25

R2 note progress thus far in implementing the forward work programme.

2 - Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

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.

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]

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5 - Background / Context

1. Background

- 1.1 Effective work programming is the bedrock of an effective local government scrutiny function¹. 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 programming²

- 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 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.

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¹ A Cunning Plan? Devising a scrutiny work programme, Centre for Public Scrutiny (March, 2011)

² A Cunning 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:
 - 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 2024/25 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.³
- 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:

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³ Meeting of the Corporate Scrutiny Committee convened on 16th October, 2024

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

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Note for Stakeholders and the Public:

A Protocol for Public Speaking at Scrutiny Committees has been published by the Council.

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 [AnwenDavies@ynysmon.gov.uk]

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
May, 2024 (21/05/24)	May, 2024 (21/05/24)
Election of Chair: 2024/25	Election of Chair: 2024/25
Election of Vice-chair: 2024/25	Election of Vice-chair: 2024/25
June, 2024 (13/06/24) – Q4	June, 2024 (19/06/24) – Education / Welsh Language
Performance Monitoring: Corporate Scorecard Qtr4: 2023/24	Welsh Language: • Annual Report on the Welsh Standards: 2023/24 Welsh in Education Strategic Plans 2023/24 Magazine
	 Welsh in Education Strategic Plan: 2023/24 → Measure Progress
Annual Delivery Plan: 2024/25	
Draft Corporate Self-Assessment 2024	Nomination of Committee Member on the Finance Scrutiny Panel
Scrutiny Review of Performance Indicator 29: Letting of Council Housing – final report	
Item for Information: Ambition North Wales Qtr 4: 2023/24 Progress Report	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
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No meeting scheduled	July, 2024 (10/07/24) – Emergency Services
	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service
	Welsh Ambulance Services Trust
	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Public Services Board Annual Report: 2023/24
	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
September, 2024 (17/09/24) – Q1	September, 2024 (12/09/24) – Tackling Poverty
Performance Monitoring: Corporate Scorecard Q1: 2024/25	Ynys Môn Citizens Advice

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Annual Performance Report: 2023/24	Communities for Work Plus Programme
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
October, 2024 (16/10/24)	October, 2024 (15/10/24) – Education & Sustainable Community Development
Annual Report North Wales Regional Partnership Board (Part 9): 2023/24	GwE Annual Report for the Isle of Anglesey: 2023/24
Care Inspectorate for Wales: Adults' Services Improvement Check Letter and Action Plan	Education Scrutiny Panel Progress Report
Nomination of Committee Members on the Finance and Education Scrutiny Panels	Menter Môn
Item for Information: Ambition North Wales: • Annual Report: 2023/24 • Qtr 1: 2024/25 Progress Report	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
	November, 2024 (13/11/24) - Health
	Audit Wales: Urgent and Emergency Care: Flow out of Hospital – North Wales Region
	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
November, 2024 (19/11/24) - Q2	November, 2024 (20/11/24) – Crime and Disorder
Monitoring Performance: Corporate Scorecard Q2: 2024/25	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Community Safety Partnership Annual Report: 2023/24
Môn Actif Strategic Plan	Ynys Môn Levelling Up Programme – Measure Progress
Local Housing Market Assessment 2024	Modernising Adults' Services Strategic Plan
Procurement Strategic Plan and New Contract Procedure Rules	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
January, 2025 (15/01/25) – 2025/26 Budget (morning)	January, 2025 (14/01/25)
2025/26 Budget Setting (Revenue Budget) – initial budget proposals	Corporate Safeguarding
Finance Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Medrwn Môn
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CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
January, 2025 (15/01/25) (afternoon)	
Corporate Self-Assessment – 6 month update on progress	
Regional Emergency Planning Service Annual Report: 2023/24	
Item for Information: Ambition North Wales Qtr 2: 2024/25 Progress Report	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	
February, 2025 (19/02/25) – 2025/26 Budget	February, 2025 (12/02/25) - Education
Final Draft Budget Proposals for 2025/26 – revenue & capital	Revised Welsh Language Policy
Finance Scrutiny Panel Progress Report	Gwynedd and Ynys Môn Additional Learning Needs & Inclusion Partnership
	Education Scrutiny Panel Progress Report
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
March, 2025 (11/03/25) - Q3	March, 2025 (12/03/25)
Monitoring Performance: Corporate Scorecard Q3: 2024/25	Towards Net Zero Strategic Plan
Housing Revenue Account Business Plan: 2025/2055	Shared Prosperity Fund
Flood Risk Management Strategic Plan (to be confirmed)	Local Area Energy Plan
	Annual Report on Equalities: 2023/24
Item for Information - Ambition North Wales Qtr 3: 2024/25 Progress Report	
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25
April, 2025 (10/04/25)	April, 2025 (09/04/25)
Care Inspectorate for Wales: Adults' Services Improvement Check Letter and	Public Services Board – governance arrangements / scrutiny of delivery
Action Plan – Progress Report	of the Wellbeing Plan
	Ynys Môn Free Port – measure progress
Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25	Committee Forward Work Programme for 2024/25

Items to be scheduled:

Corporate Scrutiny Committee	Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
Census 2021	North Wales Police & Crime Commissioner / North Wales Police
Modernisation of Learning Communities and Strengthen the Welsh Language Programme	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service
Tree Strategic Plan	Welsh Ambulance Services NHS Trust
Service Asset Management Plan 2024/34 – Smallholdings Estate	Scrutiny of Partnerships
Ambition North Wales Qtr4: 2024/25: Progress Report	Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Action Plan
North Wales Corporate Joint Committee	Gwynedd & Ynys Môn Public Services Board – Annual Report 2024/25 (June, 2025)
	Communities for Work Plus Programme: Annual Report 2024/25 (June-July, 2025)
	Improving Reliability and Resilience across the Menai Straits
	Impact of Tourism on Anglesey Local Communities (resolution of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, 21/06/2023)
	Ynys Môn Local Development Plan (full agreement)
	Scrutiny of Partnerships – annual review (March 2026)
	Natural Resources Wales
	Ynys Môn Levelling Up Programme – Measure Progress (June, 2025)