

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the special meeting held on 15 July 2019

- PRESENT:** Councillor Margaret Murley Roberts (Chair)
Councillor Glyn Haynes (Vice-Chair)
- Councillors Lewis Davies, R Dew, John Griffith, Richard Griffiths, K P Hughes, Llinos Medi Huws, A M Jones, Carwyn Jones, Eric Wyn Jones, Richard Owain Jones, G O Jones, R Meirion Jones, Alun W Mummery, Bob Parry OBE FRAGS, Alun Roberts, Dafydd Roberts, Nicola Roberts, P S Rogers, Dafydd Rhys Thomas, Ieuan Williams and Robin Williams.
- IN ATTENDANCE:** Chief Executive,
Assistant Chief Executive (Partnerships, Community & Service Improvements),
Head of Function (Resources)/Section 151 Officer,
Interim Director of Social Services,
Head of Profession Human Resources & Transformation,
Head of Democratic Services,
Legal Services Manager (RJ),
Programme, Business Planning and Performance Manager (GM),
Committee Officer (MEH).
- ALSO PRESENT:** None
- APOLOGIES:** Councillors T LI Hughes MBE, Vaughan Hughes, R LI Jones, Bryan Owen, Shaun James Redmond, Dylan Rees and J A Roberts.

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None received.

2. ANNUAL DELIVERY DOCUMENT 2019/20

Submitted – the report of the Head of Profession Human Resources and Transformation in relation to the above.

The Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services said that the Annual Delivery Document sets out the key priorities over the next twelve months which is linked into the aspirations and objectives in the County Council's Plan for 2017-2022. He noted that the Annual Delivery Document shows that the Authority is prepared to take on challenges as it modernises its services and whilst always bearing in mind the principles of sustainability and equality. He expressed that each objectives within the Annual Delivery Document are important and highlighted the examples of

priorities which were noted within the report. He moved approval of the Annual Delivery Document 2019/20.

The Leader of the Council said that the Annual Delivery Document sets out the targets the Council is to achieve during 2019/20 together with the vision to afford the electorate of Anglesey the best possible services. She seconded approval of the Annual Delivery Document 2019/20.

The Portfolio Holder for Major Projects and Economic Development highlighted the areas of progress with economical projects and innovative projects on the Island.

The following main matters raised by Members of the Council:-

- Local Authorities are unable to sustain yearly cuts by Welsh Government as part of the financial settlements; local residents are having to face continued increase in Council Tax. The Leader of the Council agreed that the continued local authorities financial settlement cut is unacceptable but this authority has been able to afford services to the local residents despite the financial challenges;
- Members welcomed the NDA's funding support of £495,000 to help support the North Anglesey Economic Regeneration Plan so as to create new economic opportunities on the Island. The Leader of the Council said that she welcomed the NDA's funding and expressed that partnership working between the partner organisations is imperative to be able to draw funding for economic projects;
- The need for a full review of the Joint Local Development Plan between Gwynedd and Anglesey as the development boundaries encircling villages is restrictive and it also does not promote economic development on the Island. The Portfolio Holder for Planning and Public Protection and a member of the Joint Planning Policy Committee said that the Joint Local Development Plan may be reviewed, if required, but it is monitored on an yearly basis; the monitoring report will be submitted to this Council in October;
- Concerns expressed as to the write-off of debts this Council has undertaken. The Portfolio Holder for Finance said most of the write-off of debts were historical debts and pursuing some of these debts would have been unrealistically costly.

On a vote, the Annual Delivery Document for 2019/20 as presented was approved.

The meeting concluded at 2.50 pm

**COUNCILLOR MARGARET MURLEY ROBERTS
CHAIR**