



Cyfarfod Fforwm Cyswllt  
Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned

Nos Fercher, 29 Medi 2021  
6.30 yh

Cyfarfod Rhithiol (Zoom)

Rhaglen

- 1 - Croeso ac Ymddiheuriadau
- 2 - Cofnodion  
Cadarnhau cofnodion y cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd ar 21 Gorffennaf 2021 – ynghlwm.
- 3 - Strategaeth Dai 2022-27
- 4 – Adolygiad o drefniadau etholiadol y Cyngor Sir: diweddariad
- 5 – Cryfhau gorfodaeth ynghylch defnyddio cychod dŵr hamdden a phersonol yn beryglus (Eitem ar gais CC Llanfairpwll)

Codi ymwybyddiaeth am yr ymgynghoriad gyfredol gan yr Adran Drafnidiaeth – gweler y ddolen isod (ar gael yn Saesneg yn unig):

[www.gov.uk/government/consultations/strengthening-enforcement-of-the-dangerous-use-of-recreational-and-personal-watercraft](http://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/strengthening-enforcement-of-the-dangerous-use-of-recreational-and-personal-watercraft)

Dyddiad cau / Closing date: 1 Tachwedd / November 2021.

6 – Unrhyw fater arall

Town and Community Councils  
Liaison Forum Meeting

Wednesday, 29 September 2021  
6.30 pm

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Agenda

- 1 - Welcome and Apologies
- 2 - Minutes  
Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 21 July 2021 – attached.
- 3 - Housing Strategy 2022-27
- 4 – Review of the Council’s electoral arrangements: update
- 5 – ‘Strengthening enforcement of the dangerous use of recreational and personal watercraft’ (Item requested by Llanfairpwll CC)

To raise awareness of the current consultation by the Department for Transport – available on the link below:

6 – Any other business

## **Town and Community Councils Liaison Forum**

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on Wednesday, 21 July 2021  
at 6.30 pm

### **Present:**

#### **Town and Community Councils**

Cllr Gordon Warren	Amlwch
Cllr Rhian Jones	Beaumaris
Cllr Ann Kennedy	Holyhead
Cllr Eurfryn Davies	Cwm Cadnant
Cllr Brian Potter	Llanbadrig
Cllr Barbara Williams	Llanddona
Cllr Dafydd Griffiths	Llaneilian
Cllr Delyth Owen	Llanfaelog
Cllr Gareth Cemlyn Jones	Llanfairpwll
Cllr Celfyn Furlong	Llanfair yn Neubwll
Cllr Einion Williams	Llanfihangel Ysgeifiog
Cllr John Rogers	Llangristiolus
Sydna Roberts (Clerk)	Llannerch-y-medd
Rhianwen Sheldon (Clerk)	Pentraeth
Cllr Ella Fisk	Menai Bridge
Cllr Keith Roberts	Trearddur
Cllr Bill Rowlands	Trearddur
Cllr Gordon Browne	Valley

#### **Isle of Anglesey County Council**

Cllr Llinos Medi	Leader of the Council (Chair)
Cllr Glyn Haynes	Chair of the Council
Cllr Meirion Jones	Education, Youth, Libraries and Culture Portfolio Holder
Cllr Alun Mummery	Housing and Supporting Communities Portfolio Holder
Annwen Morgan	Chief Executive
Marc Jones	Director of Function (Resources) and Section 151 Officer
Huw Jones	Head of Democratic Services
Anwen Davies	Scrutiny Manager
Caron Jones	Housing Strategy Officer (for item 6)
Rhian Wyn Jones	Policy Officer

### **1. Welcome and Apologies**

Apologies were received from the following:

## **Town and Community Councils**

Holyhead – Cllr Richard Parry; Robert Henderson (Clerk)

Cwm Cadnant – Cllr Carys Thornton

Llangefni – Cllr Margaret Thomas

Trewalchmai - Cllr Edna Jones; Margaret Price (Clerk)

## **Isle of Anglesey County Council**

Members: Councillors Ieuan Williams (Deputy Leader);  
Robin Williams (Finance Portfolio Holder); Bryan Owen;  
Gary Pritchard; Peter Rogers.

Officers: Dylan Williams, Deputy Chief Executive

### **1. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 January 2020 were confirmed as a correct record. The Leader provided updates on the actions:

**Page 2: Public Conveniences – Business Rates** (Welsh Government's intention to introduce 100% relief from the start of 2020/21): No change - it was noted that the introduction of the proposal to exempt public toilets was under the control of the UK Government but had not been implemented due to other priorities (Brexit; Covid). A new implementation date has not yet been scheduled.

**Page 4: Increasing Parking Fees** – request for support from the Council to transfer a car park in Llanfairpwll to 'pay and display'. Research has been carried out and further discussions to be held with the Community Council.

**Page 4: Council Tax / Business Rates (waste collection)** – request for the Council to review its procedures to ensure that holiday homes registered as businesses do not receive the domestic waste collection service (Beaumaris): Arrangements in place to ensure that domestic collections to the relevant addresses end, with the Resources service forwarding information to the Waste Management service on a weekly basis.

**Page 4: Council Tax Premium** – the number of homes transferred from domestic property to businesses since the introduction of the Premium (Llaneilian): Difficult to provide the number of transfers as it is possible to post-date the change to previous years. Also, the reason for the transfer is not recorded in the system as property may be added to the business rates list without having been on the Council Tax list. The only information available is that 725 houses were identified on the list as Self-Catering Units in March 2020 and that this number had increased to 941 by March 2021.

### **2. Covid-19**

An overview of the situation was given by the Chief Executive, followed by a discussion. The main points are outlined below:

- Despite Anglesey currently being 17<sup>th</sup> out of 22 in Wales as to the number of cases, numbers are high in North Wales and the situation in Anglesey could change very quickly.
- An internal Emergency Team had been meeting daily and still meets every fortnight; the Prevention Team (regional partners) meets once a week.
- Need to continue to encourage people to be vaccinated, particularly individuals in the 30-39 age range, where take-up is lower. The Council is discussing options with the Health Board to ensure that opportunities to get the vaccination are as convenient as possible.
- The importance of adhering to the core messages, ie maintaining social distance, wearing a mask, washing hands and opening windows.
- An acknowledgement that we will have to live with the virus for a long time and the importance of continuing the effective joint working that has happened over the past months to support communities.

Reference was made to community tensions due to the high number of tourists to the area, particularly problems related to parking and overnight camping across the island. It was explained that officers were aware of incidents and working within their ability towards resolving problems. However, the Council does not have enforcement powers unless the land is within their ownership. It was noted that this Council and other councils had been putting pressure on the Welsh Government to review regulations and introduce the relevant powers for councils.

It was emphasised that steps needed to be taken to safeguard the Council's front-line staff who deal with community tensions, particularly beach wardens. (Llanfaelog).

**Action: The Chief Executive explained that she would look into this.**

The Chief Executive added that the Council publishes regular statements to encourage people to behave responsibly when visiting the island and sought the help of town and community councils to share these messages as widely as possible.

Town and community council representatives expressed their gratitude to Council staff for their efforts over the past eighteen months.

#### **4. Council Tax Premium for second homes**

A presentation was given by the Director of Resources/Section 151 Officer on the consultation on the level of Council Tax Premium for dwellings occupied periodically. It was explained that the Executive had noted its intention to increase the premium to 50% in 2022/23 and that a consultation was currently being undertaken to seek the views of Anglesey residents, second home owners and self-catering accommodation providers. The consultation will

close on 6 August 2021 and the Executive will make its final decision in September / October 2021.

A discussion took place on the advantages of increasing the premium and the risks posed by the loophole in the legislation that allows second home owners to transfer from the Council Tax register to the Business Rates register. It was explained that this Council, as well as other councils, had for some time been putting pressure on the Welsh Government to tighten the regulations and close this loophole. Reference was also made to the recent statement by the Welsh Government noting its intention to address this issue; noting also that any changes were likely to take some time to be introduced.

Town and community councils were encouraged to respond to the consultation which is available on the Council's website and closes on 6 August 2021.

#### **5. Housing Strategy 2022-27**

Due to technical problems with the translation facilities, it was agreed to defer the above item and arrange another meeting of the Forum in September.

#### **6. AOB – Solar Farms**

The Leader referred to the fact that a number of councils had expressed concerns regarding plans for solar farms across the island as Developments of National Significance and were eager to learn the County Council's position on this. The Leader explained that the Council had sent a letter recently to the Climate Change Minister, Welsh Government which sets out the Council's stance.

**Action: Copy of the Council's letter to the Climate Change Minister to be circulated to the town and community councils.**

The meeting ended at 7.55 pm.