

Cyfarfod o'r Fforwm Cyswllt Cynghorau Tref a Chymuned

Nos Lun, 7 Chwefror 6.30 yh

Cyfarfod Rhithiol (Zoom)

Rhaglen

1 - Croeso ac Ymddiheuriadau

2 - Cofnodion

Cadarnhau cofnodion y cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd ar 29 Medi 2021 – ynghlwm.

3 - Cynigion Cyllidol 2022 i 2023

Ystyried cynigion cyllidol cychwynnol y Pwyllgor Gwaith – manylion ar y ddolen ganlynol: Town and Community Councils
Liaison Forum Meeting

Monday, 7 February 2022 6.30 pm

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

Agenda

1 - Welcome and Apologies

2 - Minutes

Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2021 – attached.

3 - Budget Proposals 2022 to 2023

To consider the Executive's initial budget proposals – details on the following link:

# Cymraeg:

https://www.ynysmon.gov.uk/cy/Cymryd-rhan/Ymgynghoriadau/Ymgynghoriadau-cyfredol/Cynigion-cyllidol-2022-i-2023-ymgynghoriad.aspx

# English:

https://www.anglesey.gov.uk/en/Get-involved/Consultations/Current-consultations/Budget-proposals-2022-to-2023-consultation.aspx

4 – Unrhyw fater arall

4 – Any other business

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

Minutes of the virtual meeting held on Wednesday, 29 September 2021 at 6.30 pm

#### Present:

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

Cllr Rhian Jones Biwmares

Alun Foulkes (Clerk) Bodorgan; Cwm Cadnant;

Llanfihangel Ysgeifiog; Llangoed

Cllr Ann Kennedy
Cllr Eurfryn Davies
Ceraint Parry (Clerk)
Cllr Delyth Owen
Cllr Ifor Gruffydd
Caergybi
Cwm Cadnant
Llanddona
Llanfaelog
Llanfairpwll

Cllr Celfyn Furlong Llanfair yn Neubwll
Cllr Einion Williams Llanfihangel Ysgeifiog
Sydna Roberts (Clerk) Llannerch-y-medd

Cllr A W Jones Mechell
Cllr Alun Jones Penmynydd
Cllr Ella Fisk Porthaethwy
Cllr Keith Roberts Trearddur
Cllr Bill Rowlands Trearddur
Cllr Gordon Browne Y Fali

Cllr Rhodri Williams

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

Cllr Llinos Medi Leader of the Council (Chair)

Cllr Alun Mummery Housing and Supporting Communities Portfolio

Holder

Cllr R G Parry OBE Highways, Waste and Property Portfolio Holder

Cllr Kenneth P Hughes
Cllr Gwilym O Jones
Cllr Trefor Lloyd Hughes MBE
Dylan Williams
Talybolion Electoral Area
Llifon Electoral Area
Ynys Gybi Electoral Area
Deputy Chief Executive

Ned Michael Head of Housing Services (item 3)
Huw Jones Head of Democratic Services

Elliw Llyr Housing Services Manager - Strategy,

Commissioning and Policy (item 3)

Caron Jones Housing Strategy Officer (item 3)

Rhian Wyn Jones Policy Officer

Members of the forum extended their best wishes to Huw Jones, Head of Democratic Services, who will be retiring at the end of the year, after over 37 years of service.

#### 1. Apologies:

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

Llanfairpwll – Cllr Gareth Cemlyn Jones Trewalchmai – Cllr Edna Jones; Margaret Price (Clerk)

# **Isle of Anglesey County Council**

Members: Councillors Ieuan Williams (Deputy Leader); Meirion Jones

(Education, Youth, Libraries and Culture Portfolio Holder).

Officers: Annwen Morgan (Chief Executive); Rhys H Hughes

(Cyfarwyddwr Addysg, Sgiliau a Phobl Ifanc).

#### 2. Minutes

The minutes of the virtual meeting held on 21 July 2021 were confirmed as a correct record. Matters arising:

**Public Conveniences**: A discussion took place on the current management arrangements, recognising the need to review the situation and develop a revised strategy for the future.

# 3. Housing Strategy 2022-27

A presentation was given by the Housing Strategy Officer on a draft Housing Strategy that will be subject to public consultation between 4 October and 15 November.

The main points from the following discussion are outlined below:

- The draft strategy was welcomed and officers of the service were praised for their achievements to date in improving housing provision on the island
- The draft strategy will provide a sound basis for reducing socio-economic disadvantage in the long term (Holyhead)
- The importance of learning lessons from the past in order to protect the communities of the future (Llanfaelog; Beaumaris; Mechell)

It was explained that councils will have an opportunity to provide details of any specific problems as part of the consultation and councils were encouraged to submit observations by 15 November.

It was noted that the consultation would also include a link to a questionnaire on housing needs, in an attempt to obtain a better understanding of the situation across the island. The assistance of the town and community councils was sought to promote the questionnaire within their communities.

**Action:** The link to the consultation document to be circulated to all town and community councils.

# 4. Review of the Council's electoral arrangements: update from the Head of Democratic Services

It was noted as follows:

- Recent announcement by the Welsh Government that the Boundary Commission's final proposals have been accepted (14 wards and 35 members), with only one possible change (one ward name change - *Tref Cybi* to *Caergyb*i) – final confirmation of this is awaited and the Statutory Order is expected to be published shortly.
- Elections to be held on 5 May 2022 and young people over 16 years old will be able to vote in the local elections for the first time – the electoral register is currently being updated and the Council is promoting the importance of registering on social media / the Council's website.
- The County Council, along with all councils in Wales, has adopted a
  declaration to increase diversity amongst candidates standing to be
  elected councillors information about the role of councillors will need to
  be shared widely over the coming months to attract individuals from underrepresented groups to stand for election.
- Information will be available on the Council's website and virtual sessions for prospective candidates will be arranged in the new year.

The Council was asked to also draw attention to the town and community council elections that will be held on the same day (Beaumaris). It was explained that this would be happening as part of the sessions and that town and community councils should also ask for support from One Voice Wales.

# 5. Strengthening enforcement of the dangerous use of recreational and personal watercraft (item requested by Llanfairpwll CC)

Reference was mae to the current consultation by the UK Government's Department for Transport on the above (see link below).

www.gov.uk/government/consultations/strengthening-enforcement-of-the-dangerous-use-of-recreational-and-personal-watercraft

The Deputy Chief Executive explained that the Council had a legal responsibility for the waters around the island, including the Menai Strait, and intended to respond to the consultation, with imput from legal specialists. In addition, a review of the use of recreational watercraft on a section of the Menai Strait is currently being undertaken and the Council was also awaiting a report on the fatal accident that happened in August 2020.

The County Council was requested to refer to the need to take steps to safeguard wildlife in its response, noting that there was no reference whatsoever to wildlife in the current legislation (Trearddur).

Relevant Town and Community Councils were encouraged to respond to the consultation that closes on 1 November 2021 and invited councils to contact the County Council if they required any further information or assistance to prepare a response.

# 6. Any Other Business: Planning Applications

Reference was made to two issues of concern related to dealing with planning applications discussed at a recent meeting of the local branch of One Voice Wales:

**Planning Portal** – a number of technical problems when using the system, regarding timing and availability of information, tracking correspondence etc.

**Action:** The Planning Service to hold direct discussions with all town and community councils, to get the full picture of the technical problems and to respond appropriately.

Submitting comments on planning applications – specialist training

**Action:** Planning Services officers to deliver a presentation to the Forum after the 2022 local elections.

The meeting ended at 7.50 pm.