

MEETING OF THE ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th March, 2013

PRESENT:

Councillor R.LI.Jones - Chairman
Councillor E.G.Davies - Vice-Chair

Councillors W.J.Chorlton, Lewis Davies; R.A.Dew; Jim Evans;
K.Evans; Ff.M.Hughes; K.P.Hughes; R.LI.Hughes;
T.LI.Hughes; W.I.Hughes; W.T.Hughes; Vaughan Hughes; Aled
M Jones; Eric Jones; G.O.Jones; H.Eifion Jones; O.Glyn
Jones; Raymond Jones; R.Dylan Jones; T.H.Jones;
C.McGregor; A.Mummery; Bryan Owen; J.V.Owen; R.L.Owen;
Bob Parry OBE; G.O. Parry MBE; J.Arwel Roberts; Eric Roberts;
P.S. Rogers; E.Schofield; Ieuan Williams; S.Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive
Deputy Chief Executive
Director of Sustainable Development
Director of Lifelong Learning
Director of Community
Head of Function (Resources)
Senior Financial Advisor
Head of Function (Legal and Administration)
Head of Service (Policy)
Head of Service (Finance)
Head of Human Resources (Item 18 only)
Committee Services Manager.
Communications Officer.

APOLOGIES:

Councillors D.R.Hughes, T.Lloyd Hughes, Rhian Medi,
G.W.Roberts,OBE.

1. MINUTES

Submitted and confirmed as a true record, the minutes of the meetings of the County Council held on the following dates :-

- 6th December, 2012
- 14th December, 2012 (Extraordinary)
- 24th January, 2013 (Extraordinary)

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillors Eric Jones and Selwyn Williams declared an interest in Item 7 of these minutes (Single Integrated Plan), remained at the meeting but did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon. (*Both members of the Citizens Advice Bureau*)

Councillors W.J.Chorlton, W.T.Hughes, R.LI.Jones, A.W.Mummery, G.O.Parry,MBE, R.G.Parry, OBE, J.A.Roberts and E.Schofield declared an interest in Item 17 of these minutes (Pay Policy Statement), remained at the meeting but did not take part in any discussion or voting thereon. (*Relatives working for the Authority*)

The Strategic Leadership Team together with the Heads of Function for Resources and for Legal and Administration declared an interest in Item 17 of these minutes (Pay Policy Statement), remained at the meeting but did not take part in any discussion thereon. *(Mentioned in the report)*

3. TO RECEIVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON, LEADER OF THE COUNCIL, EXECUTIVE OR THE HEAD OF PAID SERVICES

The Chair congratulated Mr.Martin Roberts of the Finance Department who had been selected as one of only three Welsh representatives to join the next UEFA CORE (Centre of Refereeing Excellence) project. There would be specialised training during the course, which would be held at UEFA's headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, between 27th August and 5th September, 2013. The UEFA CORE project aimed to identify young match officials with the potential to be included on the International List within 18 months to 2 years.

Congratulations were also extended to the Council staff involved in the Brick Shed Gallery project. The gallery was a multipurpose space designed to exhibit local artwork and provide a gateway to explaining Holyhead Country Breakwater and Holy Island's rich history. It recently marked the culmination of months of work by Council staff and local partners to turn the former brick shed into an open-air resource which could be used by community groups, schools and individuals who visit the Breakwater Country Park. Project partners included this Authority's Countryside and AONB Service, Oriel Ynys Mon and Holyhead Maritime Museum as well as the BRAND and the Ymweld a Mon team.

The Chair thanked all those who attended a successful Chairman's Charity evening at the Trearddur Bay Hotel on February 22nd and to the staff who helped make it sure a great evening.

The Chair referred to a lady who was famed for being Holyhead's oldest resident and who marked her 106th birthday during the summer. Gladys Roach, who was now a great-great grandmother, had spent most of her life in the Town. She went to Manchester at the age of 14 to work as a parlour maid, before returning to Holyhead five years later. Mrs.Roach will be appearing on the S4C programme O'r Galon tomorrow night at 9:00pm.

Best wishes for a full and speedy recovery were extended to Councillor G.Winston Roberts, OBE following his recent hospitalisation.

On behalf of the Council, the Chair expressed his sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Philip Pilbeam who was killed at a road traffic accident at Llanfaethlu during the early hours of Saturday morning.

Members and Officers stood in silent tribute as a mark of their respect.

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The Chief Executive took the opportunity of reminding members of the key dates within the Election timetable leading up to polling day on 2nd May, 2013. The Election Count would take place on 3rd May at the Plas Arthur Leisure Centre, Llangefni, to be followed by the count for Town and Community Councils.

The Chief Executive also informed the Council that an extraordinary meeting of the County Council would be held on 16th April, 2013 to deal with matters that required decision before the Election. There would also be an opportunity at that meeting for the Council to pay tribute to those Councillors who had declared their intention to retire as Councillors prior to the Council elections and there would also be a confidential matter relating to the proposed restructuring of the Heads of Service posts.

4. MINUTES FOR INFORMATION – IMPROVEMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY BOARD

Submitted for information, the minutes of the meetings of the Improvement and Sustainability Board held on the following dates:-

- 1st October, 2012
- 29th November, 2012
- 20th December, 2012
- 31st January, 2013

RESOLVED to note the contents of the minutes of the meetings of the Improvement and Sustainability Board.

5. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

None received

6. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET STRATEGY, BUDGET, COUNCIL TAX, TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS 2013/14

6.1 Councillor W.J.Chorlton, Portfolio Holder for Finance presented the Executive's proposals for a medium term revenue budget strategy, interim capital plan and revenue and capital budgets for 2013/14.

Councillor Chorlton in his address mentioned that in the past it had been the custom for officers to speak on items 6.4 and 6.5 but as these matters had been discussed on so many occasions it was felt that the officers need only reply to any questions thereon. In his opinion, this was the most important meeting the Council had held in recent times as it demonstrated how far the Council had come since the intervention. It showed that the Council had moved on and was now able to deal with such matters in a transparent and businesslike manner.

This year's budget was the most transparent budget that he as a Councillor had been involved in since he joined the Council. Consultation had taken place with numerous stakeholders and interested parties and adverts had been taken out to alert the general public. Two workshops had also been held with members of the Authority where a frank and open discussion had taken place. ***(Details of the consultation on the budget proposals were referred to at Agenda item 6.3 of the papers before Council today)***

He drew particular attention to the Highways budget. He stated that discussions would commence early in the next financial year upon their spending strategy, since the Executive were of the opinion that they were already spending above the average of most other Councils pro rata. He was aware that some of the members were of the opinion that Highways had to save in the region of 21% but this figure was incorrect since they had been asked to save 7.2%, the same figure as for all other services.

A sum of £500k had been put into reserves as it was felt that it was important that the Council took due notice of the Auditor General's remarks on Council reserves. In setting a Council Tax of 86p per week (5%), this Council was still the 6th lowest authority in Wales and £2:59 per person per week less than neighbouring Gwynedd on a Band D property.

He was very aware that members would rather set a lower rate but that would simply put off what was required next year and make life extremely difficult for the new Council to maintain services at the current level.

He thanked the Finance Department for their work in preparing the budget under difficult financial circumstances.

Reported – That the Executive’s final budget proposals for 2013-14 were contained as follows:-

- *Table A – Medium Term Revenue Budget Strategy*
- *Table B – Revenue Budget 2013-14 and change from 2012-13*
- *Table C – Capital Budget 2013-14*
- *Table CH – Prudential and Treasury Indicators*

The following details were provided within the Executive’s report with regard to following the details of the Budget Procedure Rules:-

- if the Council had adopted a budget strategy, whether the proposed annual budget conformed to that strategy, and details of any departures;
- the proposed Council Tax for the year;
- any proposed transfers to or from financial reserves;
- a summary of proposed expenditure by service;
- details of significant changes to service delivery implied by the budget;
- the extent to which the proposals took account of reports of Committees;
- the extent to which the proposals took account of any consultation that had been undertaken;
- details of any other significant differences between the initial and final proposals
- the Executive’s proposals for virement provisions during the year;
- proposals for borrowing;
- any other statutory matters to be decided by the full Council.

Some of the Members present queried the reasoning behind increasing general reserves by £500k and the cuts proposed to the highway maintenance budget. Concerns were also raised regarding the condition of the highway infrastructure following the extreme weather conditions over the last couple of years. The condition of some of the rural roads on the Island were pretty dire and urgent remedial action was required. The additional sum of £500k set aside for general reserves could have been used towards alleviating those highway issues.

The Portfolio Holder responded to the observations made and assured Council that the Executive would give consideration to the level of general balances in the next financial year. He also hoped that the Welsh Government would be able to assist as they had done in the past with additional funding towards road maintenance.

6.2 IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES 2013-14

Reported by the Head of Service (Policy) – That there was a requirement under the Local Government (Wales) Measure for the Council to identify its improvement priorities annually and publish them as soon as practically possible after 1st April. The delivery of these priorities would be the responsibility of the SLT and accountable to the Scrutiny and Executive functions of the Council.

RESOLVED as part of the Budget proposals, to endorse and adopt the Improvement Priorities for 2013-14 and that authority be given to the Chief Executive to finalise those priorities by 1st April, 2013, following the annual business planning cycle.

6.4 Submitted - A report by the Senior Financial Advisor / Head of Function (Resources) and S.151 Officer dealing with statutory matters relating to the budget.

Reported – That in order to adopt its budget for the year 2013-14 and to determine the level of Council Tax for the year, the County Council was required to adopt a formal resolution which dealt in some detail with all connected matters. The Executive had recommended a proposed Council Tax increase of 5% which equated to a Band D property of £939.15.

As it considered the Executive's proposed budget, the Council should also consider and take account of the report from the Interim S.151 Officer since it dealt with statutory matters and other matters required to complete the advice on the budget. The draft budget resolution was intended to give effect to the Executive's proposals and take account of this advice.

The report before Council today dealt with the Robustness of Estimates (Para 2), Adequacy of Reserves (Para 3), Achieving the Budget (Para 4), Prudential Code and Treasury Management (Para 5) and the formal levies (Para 6).

It also noted that having regard to the Budget Strategy, to economic projections and to the reported position on robustness of estimates and adequacy of reserves, the S.151 Officer's recommendation was that the increase in Council Tax for 2013-14 should be no lower than 5% and that the target level of general balances should be no lower than £5m.

The Treasury Management Strategy for 2013-14 as submitted to the Audit Committee and Executive (as amended) was included this year in the Annex to this report and it was proposed and seconded that the Treasury Management Strategy and allied documents for 2013-14 be accepted.

6.5 Considered - The formal resolution as enclosed in the report of the Senior Financial Advisor / Head of Function (Resources).

The Portfolio Holder, Councillor W.J.Chorlton took the opportunity of expressing his appreciation to the Finance Service for their work in preparing the budget. He also thanked Mrs. Gill Lewis, Senior Financial Advisor who would be leaving the employ of the Authority this Wednesday. She was presented with a cut glass memento together with a bouquet of flowers.

Following consideration of the papers as a single package and the observations made at today's meeting, a vote was taken on the matter and the budget proposed by the Executive for 2013-14 was carried by 26 votes to 5.

DRAFT COUNCIL TAX RESOLUTION

1. RESOLVED

- (a) Pursuant to the recommendations of the Executive, to adopt the Medium Term Revenue Budget Strategy at Table A, as a Budget Strategy within the meaning given by the Constitution, and to affirm that it becomes part of the budget framework with the exception of figures described as current.
- (b) Pursuant to the recommendations of the Executive to adopt a revenue budget for 2013/14 as shown at Table B.
- (c) Pursuant to the recommendations of the Executive to adopt a capital budget as shown at Table C.
- (ch) To delegate to the Head of Function (Resources) the power to make adjustments between headings in Table B in order to give effect to the Council's decisions on restructuring, and the decisions on centralisation of ICT and fleet budgets.
- (d) To delegate to the Executive Committee for the financial year 2013/14 the powers to transfer budgets between headings as follows:
 - (i) unlimited powers to spend each budget heading in Table B against the name of each service, on the service to which it relates;
 - (ii) powers to allocate sums from specific contingencies and cost of change contingency in Table B;
 - (iii) powers to vire from the severance contingency in Table B to the extent that the transactions reflect actual costs of achieving staff savings;
 - (iv) powers to vire from the Improvement and Education Recovery Board contingency budget for the purpose of performance improvement, for addressing high risks identified in the Improvement Plan, for delivering on outcome agreements and for systems to modernise the authority and facilitate performance management and for the Education Recovery Board;
 - (v) powers to vire from the Leisure Improvement Reserve in support of proposals which maintain or enhance the leisure service's assets or develop strategic sporting facilities;
 - (vi) powers to vire from new or increased sources of income.
- (dd) To delegate to the Executive Committee in respect of the financial year 2013/14 and on the advice of the Head of Function (Resources), the power to release up to £300k from general balances to deal with priorities arising during the year.
- (e) To delegate to the Executive Committee in respect of the period to 31 March 2016, the following powers:
 - (i) powers to make new commitments from future years' revenue budgets up to amount identified under New Priorities in the Medium Term Revenue Budget Strategy;
 - (ii) the power and the duty to make plans for achievement of revenue budget savings implied by the Medium Term Revenue Budget Strategy;
 - (iii) powers to transfer budgets between capital projects in Table C and to commit resources in following years and consistent with the budget framework.
- (f) To set the prudential indicators which are estimates for 2013/14 and onwards as shown at Table Ch and to confirm the limits on borrowing and investments identified as items 10,11 and 14 to 17.
- (ff) To approve the Treasury Management Strategy for the year.
- (g) To adopt the revised CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice 2011.
- (ng) To confirm that items 1(b) to (ff) become part of the budget framework.

2. **RESOLVED** to adopt and affirm for the purposes of the financial year 2013/14 the decision of the County Council on 10 March 1998 to set the discount level applicable to the prescribed Class A and prescribed Class B of dwellings under Section 12 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended), as described by the Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (Wales) Regulations 1998, as follows:

Prescribed Class A	Nil Discount
Prescribed Class B	Nil Discount

3. **RESOLVED** to adopt and affirm for the purposes of the financial year 2013/14 the decision of the County Council on 6 March 2007 to set the discount level applicable to the prescribed Class C of dwellings under Section 12 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 (as amended), as described by the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) and Council Tax (Prescribed Classes of Dwellings) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 as follows:-

Prescribed Class C	Nil Discount
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4. That it be noted that at its meeting on 28 February 1996 the Council resolved not to treat any expenses incurred by the Council in part of its area or in meeting any levy or special levy as special expenses and that the resolutions remain in force until expressly rescinded.

5. That it be noted that at its meeting on 19 November 2012 The Executive calculated the following amounts for the year 2013/14 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:

- a) 29,662.00 being the amount calculated by The Executive, in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995, as its council tax base for the year.

b) Part of the Council's area

Amlwch	1,429.69
Beaumaris	1,051.62
Holyhead	3,707.82
Llangefni	1,864.25
Menai Bridge	1,381.95
Llanddaniel-fab	357.46
Llanddona	356.82
Cwm Cadnant	1,113.66
Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll	1,275.20
Llanfihangel Esceifiog	648.77
Bodorgan	424.02
Llangoed	609.56
Llangristiolus & Cerrigceinwen	579.09
Llanidan	400.16
Rhosyr	951.37
Penmynydd	226.13
Pentraeth	537.11
Moelfre	599.74
Llanbadrig	641.08
Llanddyfnan	479.47
Llaneilian	529.04
Llannerch-y-medd	489.92
Llaneugrad	170.72
Llanfair Mathafarn Eithaf	1,705.03
Cylch y Garn	398.81
Mechell	526.49
Rhos-y-bol	455.72

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Aberffraw	284.10
Bodedern	405.05
Bodffordd	408.51
Trearddur	1,191.96
Tref Alaw	247.95
Llanfachraeth	220.61
Llanfaelog	1,181.44
Llanfaethlu	268.50
Llanfair-yn-neubwll	558.16
Valley	952.34
Bryngwran	345.42
Rhoscolyn	333.93
Trewalchmai	353.33

being the amounts calculated by The Executive, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

6. That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2013/14 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992:
- a) £190,368,853 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (d) of the Act.
 - b) £ 60,931,280 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) and (c) of the Act.
 - c) £129,437,573 being the amount by which the aggregate at 6(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 6(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year.
 - ch) £100,634,828 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its council fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant and specific grant, reduced by any amount calculated in accordance with Section 33(3) of the Act.
 - d) £ 971.03 being the amount at 6(c) above less the amount at 6(ch) above, all divided by the amount at 5(a) above, calculated by The Executive, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year.
 - dd) £ 945,678 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act.
 - e) £ 939.15 being the amount at 6(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 6(dd) above by the amount at 5(a) above, calculated by the Executive, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates.

f) Part of the Council's area	D
Amlwch	£ 993.51
Beaumaris	£ 964.29
Holyhead	£ 1,014.14
Llangefni	£ 995.25
Menai Bridge	£ 986.18
Llanddaniel-fab	£ 955.94
Llanddona	£ 953.58
Cwm Cadnant	£ 964.74
Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll	£ 966.60
Llanfihangel Esceifiog	£ 961.58
Bodorgan	£ 956.60
Llangoed	£ 954.47
Llangristiolus & Cerrigceinwen	£ 946.30
Llanidan	£ 959.02
Rhosyr	£ 959.65
Penmynydd	£ 952.42
Pentraeth	£ 963.35
Moelfre	£ 957.65
Llanbadrig	£ 964.11
Llanddyfnan	£ 953.50
Llaneilian	£ 956.16
Llannerch-y-medd	£ 951.16
Llaneugrad	£ 959.65
Llanfair Mathafarn Eithaf	£ 962.90
Cylch y Garn	£ 952.06
Mechell	£ 953.81
Rhos-y-bol	£ 952.32
Aberffraw	£ 963.79
Bodedern	£ 955.81
Bodffordd	£ 951.39
Trearddur	£ 961.51
Tref Alaw	£ 954.07
Llanfachraeth	£ 957.62
Llanfaelog	£ 956.08
Llanfaethlu	£ 960.57
Llanfair-yn-neubwll	£ 957.60
Valley	£ 961.94
Bryngwran	£ 962.89
Rhoscolyn	£ 951.13
Trewalchmai	£ 954.72

being the amount given by adding to the amount at 6(e) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 5(b) above, calculated by the Executive in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

		Valuation Bands								
ff) Part of the Council's Area :		A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Amlwch	£	662.34	772.73	883.12	993.51	1,214.29	1,435.07	1,655.85	1,987.02	2,318.19
Beaumaris	£	642.86	750.01	857.15	964.29	1,178.58	1,392.87	1,607.16	1,928.59	2,250.02
Holyhead	£	676.10	788.78	901.46	1,014.14	1,239.51	1,464.88	1,690.24	2,028.29	2,366.34
Llangefni	£	663.50	774.08	884.67	995.25	1,216.42	1,437.58	1,658.75	1,990.50	2,322.25
Menai Bridge	£	657.46	767.03	876.61	986.18	1,205.34	1,424.49	1,643.64	1,972.37	2,301.10
Llanddaniel-fab	£	637.29	743.51	849.72	955.94	1,168.37	1,380.80	1,593.23	1,911.87	2,230.52
Llanddona	£	635.72	741.68	847.63	953.58	1,165.49	1,377.40	1,589.31	1,907.17	2,225.03
Cwm Cadnant	£	643.16	750.35	857.55	964.74	1,179.13	1,393.52	1,607.90	1,929.48	2,251.06
Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll	£	644.40	751.80	859.20	966.60	1,181.40	1,396.20	1,610.99	1,933.19	2,255.39
Llanfihangel Esceifiog	£	641.05	747.89	854.74	961.58	1,175.26	1,388.94	1,602.63	1,923.15	2,243.68
Bodorgan	£	637.73	744.02	850.31	956.60	1,169.18	1,381.76	1,594.34	1,913.20	2,232.07
Llangoed	£	636.31	742.36	848.42	954.47	1,166.57	1,378.67	1,590.78	1,908.93	2,227.09
Llangristolus & Cerrigceinwen	£	630.87	736.01	841.15	946.30	1,156.59	1,366.88	1,577.17	1,892.60	2,208.03
Llanidan	£	639.34	745.90	852.46	959.02	1,172.13	1,385.25	1,598.36	1,918.03	2,237.71
Rhosyr	£	639.76	746.39	853.02	959.65	1,172.90	1,386.16	1,599.41	1,919.29	2,239.18
Penmynydd	£	634.94	740.77	846.59	952.42	1,164.06	1,375.71	1,587.36	1,904.83	2,222.31
Pentraeth	£	642.24	749.28	856.31	963.35	1,177.43	1,391.51	1,605.59	1,926.71	2,247.83
Moelfre	£	638.43	744.84	851.24	957.65	1,170.46	1,383.27	1,596.08	1,915.30	2,234.52
Llanbadrig	£	642.74	749.86	856.98	964.11	1,178.35	1,392.60	1,606.85	1,928.22	2,249.59
Llanddyfnan	£	635.66	741.61	847.55	953.50	1,165.39	1,377.27	1,589.16	1,906.99	2,224.83
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Llannerch-y-medd	£	634.11	739.79	845.48	951.16	1,162.53	1,373.90	1,585.27	1,902.32	2,219.38
Llaneugrad	£	639.77	746.40	853.02	959.65	1,172.91	1,386.16	1,599.42	1,919.30	2,239.19
Llanfair Mathafarn Eithaf	£	641.93	748.92	855.91	962.90	1,176.87	1,390.85	1,604.83	1,925.79	2,246.76
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Rhoscolyn	£	634.09	739.77	845.45	951.13	1,162.49	1,373.85	1,585.21	1,902.26	2,219.30
Trewalchmai	£	636.48	742.56	848.64	954.72	1,166.88	1,379.03	1,591.19	1,909.43	2,227.67

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 6(e) and 6(f) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Executive, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

7. That it be noted that for the year 2013/14 the Police and Crime Commissioner North Wales has stated the following amounts in a precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Precepting Authority	Valuation Bands								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Police and Crime Commissioner North Wales	148.74	173.53	198.32	223.11	272.69	322.27	371.85	446.22	520.59

8. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 6(ff) and 7 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, hereby sets the following amounts as the amounts of council tax for the year 2013/14 for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:

Part of the Council's Area:	Valuation Bands								
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Amlwch	£ 811.08	946.26	1,081.44	1,216.62	1,486.98	1,757.34	2,027.70	2,433.24	2,838.78
Beaumaris	£ 791.60	923.54	1,055.47	1,187.40	1,451.27	1,715.14	1,979.01	2,374.81	2,770.61
Holyhead	£ 824.84	962.31	1,099.78	1,237.25	1,512.20	1,787.15	2,062.09	2,474.51	2,886.93
Llangefni	£ 812.24	947.61	1,082.99	1,218.36	1,489.11	1,759.85	2,030.60	2,436.72	2,842.84
Menai Bridge	£ 806.20	940.56	1,074.93	1,209.29	1,478.03	1,746.76	2,015.49	2,418.59	2,821.69
Llanddaniel-fab	£ 786.03	917.04	1,048.04	1,179.05	1,441.06	1,703.07	1,965.08	2,358.09	2,751.11
Llanddona	£ 784.46	915.21	1,045.95	1,176.69	1,438.18	1,699.67	1,961.16	2,353.39	2,745.62
Cwm Cadnant	£ 791.90	923.88	1,055.87	1,187.85	1,451.82	1,715.79	1,979.75	2,375.70	2,771.65
Llanfair Pwllgwyngyll	£ 793.14	925.33	1,057.52	1,189.71	1,454.09	1,718.47	1,982.84	2,379.41	2,775.98
Llanfihangel Esceifiog	£ 789.79	921.42	1,053.06	1,184.69	1,447.95	1,711.21	1,974.48	2,369.37	2,764.27
Bodorgan	£ 786.47	917.55	1,048.63	1,179.71	1,441.87	1,704.03	1,966.19	2,359.42	2,752.66
Llangoed	£ 785.05	915.89	1,046.74	1,177.58	1,439.26	1,700.94	1,962.63	2,355.15	2,747.68
Llangristiolus & Cerrigceinwen	£ 779.61	909.54	1,039.47	1,169.41	1,429.28	1,689.15	1,949.02	2,338.82	2,728.62
Llanidan	£ 788.08	919.43	1,050.78	1,182.13	1,444.82	1,707.52	1,970.21	2,364.25	2,758.30
Rhosyr	£ 788.50	919.92	1,051.34	1,182.76	1,445.59	1,708.43	1,971.26	2,365.51	2,759.77
Penmynydd	£ 783.68	914.30	1,044.91	1,175.53	1,436.75	1,697.98	1,959.21	2,351.05	2,742.90
Pentraeth	£ 790.98	922.81	1,054.63	1,186.46	1,450.12	1,713.78	1,977.44	2,372.93	2,768.42
Moelfre	£ 787.17	918.37	1,049.56	1,180.76	1,443.15	1,705.54	1,967.93	2,361.52	2,755.11
Llanbadrig	£ 791.48	923.39	1,055.30	1,187.22	1,451.04	1,714.87	1,978.70	2,374.44	2,770.18
Llanddyfnan	£ 784.40	915.14	1,045.87	1,176.61	1,438.08	1,699.54	1,961.01	2,353.21	2,745.42
Llaneilian	£ 786.18	917.21	1,048.24	1,179.27	1,441.33	1,703.39	1,965.45	2,358.54	2,751.63
Llannerch-y-medd	£ 782.85	913.32	1,043.80	1,174.27	1,435.22	1,696.17	1,957.12	2,348.54	2,739.97
Llaneugrad	£ 788.51	919.93	1,051.34	1,182.76	1,445.60	1,708.43	1,971.27	2,365.52	2,759.78
Llanfair Mathafarn Eithaf	£ 790.67	922.45	1,054.23	1,186.01	1,449.56	1,713.12	1,976.68	2,372.01	2,767.35
Cylch y Garn	£ 783.45	914.02	1,044.60	1,175.17	1,436.32	1,697.47	1,958.62	2,350.35	2,742.07
Mechell	£ 784.61	915.38	1,046.15	1,176.92	1,438.46	1,699.99	1,961.53	2,353.84	2,746.14
Rhos-y-bol	£ 783.62	914.22	1,044.82	1,175.43	1,436.63	1,697.84	1,959.04	2,350.85	2,742.66
Aberffraw	£ 791.27	923.14	1,055.02	1,186.90	1,450.65	1,714.41	1,978.17	2,373.80	2,769.43
Bodedern	£ 785.95	916.94	1,047.93	1,178.92	1,440.91	1,702.89	1,964.87	2,357.85	2,750.82
Bodffordd	£ 783.00	913.50	1,044.00	1,174.50	1,435.50	1,696.50	1,957.50	2,349.00	2,740.50
Trearddur	£ 789.74	921.37	1,052.99	1,184.62	1,447.87	1,711.11	1,974.36	2,369.23	2,764.11
Tref Alaw	£ 784.79	915.59	1,046.38	1,177.18	1,438.78	1,700.37	1,961.97	2,354.36	2,746.76
Llanfachraeth	£ 787.15	918.34	1,049.54	1,180.73	1,443.11	1,705.49	1,967.88	2,361.45	2,755.03
Llanfaelog	£ 786.13	917.15	1,048.17	1,179.19	1,441.23	1,703.27	1,965.31	2,358.38	2,751.44
Llanfaethlu	£ 789.12	920.64	1,052.16	1,183.68	1,446.71	1,709.75	1,972.79	2,367.35	2,761.91
Llanfair-yn-Neubwll	£ 787.14	918.33	1,049.52	1,180.71	1,443.09	1,705.48	1,967.86	2,361.43	2,755.00
Valley	£ 790.03	921.70	1,053.38	1,185.05	1,448.39	1,711.74	1,975.08	2,370.10	2,765.11
Bryngwran	£ 790.67	922.44	1,054.22	1,186.00	1,449.55	1,713.11	1,976.67	2,372.00	2,767.33
Rhoscolyn	£ 782.83	913.30	1,043.77	1,174.24	1,435.18	1,696.12	1,957.06	2,348.48	2,739.89
Trewalchmai	£ 785.22	916.09	1,046.96	1,177.83	1,439.57	1,701.30	1,963.04	2,355.65	2,748.26

7. SINGLE INTEGRATED PLAN

Reported – That the Executive at its meeting on 11th February, 2013, had considered the above matter and had resolved “to refer the final version of the Single Integrated Plan to the County Council for approval.”

RESOLVED to endorse the recommendation of the Executive in this respect and to note that the work of merging the Plan with Gwynedd’s will commence from 1st April, 2013.

8. CHANGES TO THE COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

Changes to the following parts of the Constitution:-

1. Committee Structure
2. Member Officer Protocol
3. Multi Member Ward Protocol
4. Compulsory Training

Reported - That the Executive upon consideration of the above at their meeting on 18th February, 2013, had resolved as follows:-

“To recommend to the County Council that it amends the Council Constitution as indicated in the report (namely in respect of Member Training, the Committee Structure, a Multi Member Ward Protocol and Member/Officer Protocol) and to authorise officers to make any consequential amendments to the Constitution.”

Concerns were raised by some of the members as regards the proposal to reduce the number of Scrutiny Committees post May 2013 from 5 to 2 Scrutiny Committees. The reasoning behind the proposal was understood but it was considered to be premature at present and a big disservice to the next Council. It was considered that this proposal should be deferred for consideration by the new Council. There was also concern that those members serving on the Programme Boards would be scrutinising themselves at the end of the day and that there needed to be an element of independence to the process.

The Chief Executive in response stated that he wished to make it clear that there was no intention to reduce scrutiny responsibilities within the Council. In presenting this proposal and the recommendations contained therein, detailed consultation took place with colleagues from the Welsh Government and the WAO, the two bodies that had judged the scrutiny weaknesses at this Council in the past. In addition, the proposals had been discussed with Group Leaders and the Chairs of the respective Scrutiny Committees. The Leader of the Council had been present at these meetings when developing the structure.

The Chief Executive admitted that not enough information had been provided on the structure in an understandable manner. It was not the intention to reduce scrutiny and we would be endangering the progress made if we weakened or lessened scrutiny. Certainly, with the Council still in intervention, it would not want to be seen as walking away from a solution, that was one of the major issues identified in the Council that had led to intervention in the first place.

It had been a huge task to formulate this strategy, bearing in mind that there was to be a 25% reduction in the membership of this Council. There would be more work in the new Council than at present and a huge workload and responsibility on elected members post May. For one thing, the Energy Island programme would create substantial workstreams, especially in the planning field. Although Anglesey was a small authority in comparison to other local authorities in Wales, the core workload remained the same.

The intention was that one Scrutiny Committee would deal with internal matters, with an external scrutiny committee to scrutinise collaboration, partnerships and commissioning work.

The Chief Executive believed that one of the main differences between the present Council and the new one was that services would have to be provided in a very different way, much of which would be through partnerships and joint working with other Councils and with private and voluntary agencies on the Island. If services were being externalised, as was being promoted by Welsh Government, then you needed to put more emphasis on holding those people to account or Anglesey would lose its influence in a regional context.

One example was the Enterprise Island Board in that not one elected member from Anglesey had been appointed to serve on that Board, dealing with the regeneration of the Anglesey economy. The economy was one of the main objectives of this Authority in creating employment and raising the standard of living, especially young people on the Island. Therefore it was important to hold that Board to account and that was why there was a necessity to have an external scrutiny committee.

The weakness in the report was that it did not show what was envisaged below those two proposed Scrutiny Committees. The intention was to establish 3 Programme Boards where members and officers would be jointly working to develop policies, implement arrangements and raise levels of performance, what the Chief Executive called co-construction. Rather than officers working in the dark and bringing policies to committee for approval or refusal, there would be joint ownership from the bottom up for developments. Therefore to all intents and purposes, scrutiny would have occurred on that journey and backbenchers would be encouraged to undertake a bigger role in the Council's activities and influence decisions from the outset. Both scrutiny committees in future would have the right to call-in decisions. If this co-construction took place then it was hoped that call-ins would be less frequent than had been in the past.

Naturally, if sufficient staff resources were in place, then those 5 Scrutiny Committees would have been retained but with only 30 members the status quo would have proved impossible. The new structure would achieve a fit for purpose committee system for a modern transformed Council. The key to that was the 3 Programme Boards. This would enable the Council to achieve its objectives more effectively than the reactive Scrutiny process currently in place.

The new Council would require to be effective from its first day. That new Council would have within 6 months the opportunity to undo any decision taken by the present Council. There was a responsibility to ensure that the transformation to the new Council was as seamless as possible and which enabled the Council to undertake its activities effectively. He did not see how the present constitution of this Council with 10 less members would be able to accommodate that. If there was a need to change things with haste, then one only required 10 members of the Council to call an extraordinary meeting to amend the proposals.

(Councillor Selwyn Williams wished it to be noted in the minutes that he had abstained from voting on the matter)

RESOLVED to endorse the changes recommended by the Executive in this respect.

9. COMPLAINTS AND CONCERNS POLICY

Reported by the Head of Function (Legal and Administration) – That the Welsh Government had strongly recommended that all public service providers in Wales adopt the Concerns and Complaints Policy in order to standardise the public's experience of complaints handling. In light of this strong recommendation, the Council was asked to adopt a new Policy based on the suggested model referred to within the report.

RESOLVED to adopt the new Concerns and Complaints Policy together with the Unacceptable Actions by Complainants Policy with a start date of 1st April, 2013.

10. REVISION TO THE COUNCIL'S INDEMNITIES POLICY

Reported by the Head of Function (Legal and Administration) – That on 9th June 2011 the Council exercised its discretion to adopt an Indemnities Policy which included indemnity for Members to defend proceedings brought by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales in connection with alleged breaches of the Code of Conduct.

Since June 2011, the Indemnities Sub-Committee has granted 3 indemnities and while the Policy did not include a financial cap, the Sub-Committee had thus far imposed a cap of £10k in every case. However, this approach had not always been mirrored in other Councils, resulting in concerns expressed by Welsh Government in a letter to the Leader dated 15th January, 2013. This matter had been canvassed with this Council's Group Leaders who favoured amending the Policy to introduce a cap of £20k in those cases which related to the defence of PSOW complaints.

(Councillor Elwyn Schofield wished it to be minuted that he had abstained from voting on this matter)

RESOLVED

- **To amend the Council's Indemnities Policy so as to impose a maximum indemnity of £20,000 to defend proceedings brought by the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales under the Code of Conduct;**
- **That the maximum indemnity be imposed by means of the suggested changes highlighted at Enclosures 2 & 3 of the report.**

11. FLOOD AND WATER MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Reported - That the Executive upon consideration of the above at its meeting on 11th February, 2013, had resolved to recommend to the County Council *"that it approves the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy."*

RESOLVED to endorse the Executive's recommendation in this respect.

12. REVIEW OF THE AUTHORITY'S GAMBLING POLICY.

Reported by the Chief Trading Standards Officer – That the Authority was required under the terms of the Gambling Act 2005, to review its Gambling Policy every three years. This report summarised the consultation process. Due to the fact that the Policy was considered to have worked well and not faced any challenges, responses were minimal and amendments slight.

RESOLVED to endorse the contents of the report and to adopt the amended Gambling Policy.

13. REVIEW OF THE AUTHORITY'S LICENSING POLICY

Reported by the Chief Trading Standards Officer – That this Authority was required under the terms of the Licensing Act 2003, to review its Licensing Policy every five years. This report summarised the consultation process. Due to the fact that the Policy was considered to have worked well and not faced any challenges, responses were minimal and amendments slight, apart from highlighting the introduction of new legislation under the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 and additional control options available to the Authority.

RESOLVED to endorse the contents of the report and to adopt the amended Licensing Policy.

14. A PRISON IN NORTH WALES

Submitted – A report by the Chief Executive regarding discussions held at the North Wales Regional Partnership Board on the case for locating the proposed new prison in North Wales and seeking this Council's commitment to such course of action on the terms announced by the Ministry of Justice.

RESOLVED

- **To endorse the proposals of the NWRLB and to support the Board by:-**
- **Issuing a press release welcoming the opportunity to compete for a prison to be located in North Wales;**
- **To correspond with the Wales Office, the Prisons Minister and the Welsh Government to welcome the announcement and offer support for a prison to be located in North Wales;**
- **To note that officers from each North Wales Council will meet Ministry of Justice officials to identify site criteria and seek offender information (categories to be accommodated, prisoner and remand volumes including sentences under 12 months, etc);**
- **To note that officers from each North Wales Council will meet together to identify potential sites and discuss the political will to promote sites and enabling the region to offer the Ministry of Justice a shortlist of sites that meet their criteria;**
- **To note that planning is a separate process from site identification and will be clarified with the Minister for Justice;**
- **To note that the North Wales Police will construct a business case that identifies the benefits to the communities of North Wales of being able to accommodate offenders from North Wales in a prison located in North Wales. This will require liaison with the Ministry of Justice to be facilitated by Council officers;**
- **To note that the NWRLB will regularly review progress at each NWRLB meeting.**

15. MOTION RECEIVED PURSUANT TO RULE 4.1.2.2.12 OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Submitted – The following Notice of Motion from Councillors Richard A. Dew and Aled Morris Jones:-

"We, the undersigned, call upon the Isle of Anglesey County Council to consider placing a commemorative plaque in the village of Rhosneigr, as the birthplace in 1883 of Admiral Sir Max Kennedy Horton, GCB, DSO, Commander-in-Chief of Western Approaches in the latter half of WWII.

Admiral Sir Max Kennedy Horton, GCB, DSO was responsible for British participation in the Battle of the Atlantic, of which in May this year the 70th anniversary will be commemorated."

RESOLVED that the Leader be requested to forward the request to the Commemorative Plaques Panel with a recommendation from this Council that it be supported.

16. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during discussion on the following item on the grounds that it may involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12A of the said Act and in the attached Public Interest Test.

17. PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2013-14

Reported by the Interim Head of Human Resources – That the Localism Act of 2011, required English and Welsh Authorities to produce and publish a pay policy statement for 2013-14 and for each financial year thereafter. The Act required Authorities to develop and make public their pay policy on all aspects of Chief Officer Remuneration. In the interests of transparency and accountability the Council had chosen to take a broader approach and produce a policy statement covering all employee groups, with the exception of school teachers as their remuneration was not within local authority control.

The Council published its first pay policy statement last year and minor amendments to reflect current Council strategy had been incorporated into this year's report.

RESOLVED to endorse the Pay Policy Statement attached to the report as the Council's Pay Policy Statement for 2013-14.

The meeting concluded at 4:10 p.m.

**COUNCILLOR R.LI.JONES
CHAIR**