

**MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL****1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2016****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. Conwy County Borough Council**

Forward Work Programme

The July 2015 Forward Programme can be found at

<http://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=578&LLL=0>**2. Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill Consultation**

Thank you for providing a response to the Draft Local Government (Wales) Bill consultation, which ran between 24/11/15 & 15/2/16. All the responses have been considered & have been summarised in a report. This is now available on our website at: [http://gov.wales/consultations/localgovernment/draft-local-government-\(wales\)-bill-consultation/?lang=en](http://gov.wales/consultations/localgovernment/draft-local-government-(wales)-bill-consultation/?lang=en) The Cabinet Secretary for Finance & Local Government has issued a written statement on the Report.

<http://gov.wales/about/cabinet/cabinetstatements/2016-new/?lang=en>**3. More ways to take part in The County Conversation**

If you live or work in Conwy as part of a community group, non-profit or charity, you should have your say in The County Conversation. Tell us how we can better improve the wellbeing of our residents, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds. The public sector needs to prioritise its services & we need your help to make sure we focus on the things that matter to you most. Help us engage with more people through The County Conversation. If you want to receive info to run your own discussion, you can download a PDF copy of our Techniques for Involvement & Engagement pack here. The pack describes some great ways you can involve your group in The County Conversation. There are even more ways you can help too: Display posters or postcards on your noticeboards - create a talking point, Like The County Conversation Facebook page & Follow us on Twitter or Instagram, Post content we share with you on your own social channels, Complete the template press release & use on your blog or latest news webpage, & share with any community news site or blogger, Tell friends or colleagues to join by sharing emails & our social media posts with them, Run your own activities & share your conclusions with us. Download the template press release here (Word Document) [LINK] This webpage contains links to all these files as well as ideas for getting involved. Want some posters & postcards to hand out? Request some by emailing [countyconversation@conwy.gov.uk](mailto:countyconversation@conwy.gov.uk) To keep up to date with Conversation developments, remember to Like our Facebook page and/or Follow us on Twitter. You can bookmark our Latest News webpage as well.

**4. Your Champions Nominations**

Scottish Power Foundation & Trinity Mirror need your help to seek out Your Champions, it can be a person or a group. To receive more information & to send nominations: Roy Jones, Scottish Power, Carr Lane Industrial Estate, Hoylake, CH47 4AX. Tel: 0141 6142038

**5. Funding****Children in Need committee recruitment**

<http://careerssearch.bbc.co.uk/jobs/job/Volunteer-Regional-Advisory-Committee-Member-Wales-BBC-Children-in-Need/17225>

We are recruiting for committee members for the body that recommends main grants in Wales. We are very keen to recruit from North Wales. To show we're serious we are holding a day of interviews in BBC Bangor & we are looking to hold at least one meeting outside of Cardiff. Could I ask you to pass it on as far as you can (or maybe target some people you might think would be interested)?

## 6. Road Closure

### **Junction Llanrwst Road to Junction Henryd Road, Bryn Tirion Park, Conwy**

05/09/2016 to 19/09/2016 – BT Work

## 7. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

### **a) CVSC Third Sector Wellbeing Conference – Working Together for Future Generations**

Friday 21st October, 10am – 4pm, Llandudno Town Hall, Lloyd Street, Llandudno LL30 2UP

We are seeking Expressions of Interest for Third Sector Stalls – places limited, so reserved on a first come basis by 31st August. Please contact CVSC on 01492 534091 or [mail@cvsc.org.uk](mailto:mail@cvsc.org.uk) to book your place or for further information.

### **b) One Voice Wales Conference**

1st October 2016 the theme for this year's conference is

'The Challenges of Transformation & Collaboration for Community & Town Councils'

Guest Speakers- Mark Drakeford AM, Cabinet Secretary for Finance & Local Government: who will be talking about the challenges facing local government in Wales & it's relevance to the community & town council sector & how the sector can play its part in sustaining local services in Wales. Peter Davies, CBE, Chair of Wales Council for Voluntary Action: who will be talking about the work of the organisation & how community & town councils can work collaboratively with the Third Sector in Wales for the benefit of local communities. Sophie Howe, Future Generations Commissioner: who has been invited to talk about the role of the Future Generations Commissioner as well as the impact the Well Being of Future Generations Act will have on the community & town council sector in Wales. Royal Welsh Showground, Llanellwedd, Builth Wells, LD2 3SY Early bird Full discount price OVW member councils with less than 200 dwellings £70, £80 OVW member councils with 200 dwellings or more £80, £90 Non-member councils & other organisations £110, £120. Registration from 9:30am for a 10:15am start.

### **c) CVSC, DVSC & Mantell Gwynedd Training "Social Value"**

CVSC, DVSC & Mantell Gwynedd are jointly organising a Social Value Workshop 10am- 12 pm 23/9/16, to be held in St Asaph Youth Centre. If you would like any further advice or would like to make a booking please call Emily on 01824 702441, alternatively email [emily@dvsc.co.uk](mailto:emily@dvsc.co.uk). Please could you confirm booking & payments by 16/9/16. What is social value? Our activities undoubtedly create impacts other than financial returns. Whether it is changes to people's health & wellbeing, strengthened communities, or reducing the pressure on public services, these are important outcomes of our work. Yet, we rarely measure these impacts & communicating them for ourselves & others. Social value is therefore a broad term that is used to illustrate that we can capture value beyond just financial returns. What is social return on investment (SROI)? SROI is a framework that places stakeholders & their experiences at the centre of a process that allows us to understand what has changed as a result of particular activities - & then value those changes. It is often said that a cynic knows the price of everything, but the value of nothing. But what SROI does is allow us to place a value on those things that are important to people & organisations – & by doing so we are better able to manage & communicate the value of our activities. Interested in an introduction to social value & SROI? Social Value Cymru are an organisational member of Social Value UK & have experience in delivering training, support & evaluation services to third sector organisations in Wales. We are very flexible and happy to tailor any package to suit your needs. For more information, please contact Eleri at [eleri@mantellgwynedd.com](mailto:eleri@mantellgwynedd.com) or call 01286 672626

## 8. Newsletters

### **a) GoSafe Newsletter**

The July edition is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

### **b) Business Wales newsletter**

The latest edition is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

**c) Your Wales News from Big Lottery**

The July edition is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

**9. Welsh Government Consultations**

Local Government

Closing Date

- Consultation on The Local Authorities (Calculations of Council Tax Base) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2016

02/09/16

Welsh Language

- Welsh Language Standards – Improving services for Welsh speakers within the health sector

14/10/16