

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

Monday 7th July 2014

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Conwy County Borough Council

- a) The meeting of the Council scheduled for 10/7/14 at 10am has been brought forward to 9/7/14 at 10am at Bodlondeb
- b) The meeting of the Communities & Scrutiny Committee scheduled for 10/7/14 at 6pm has been brought forward to 7/7/14 at 6pm at Bodlondeb
- c) A Special Meeting of the Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee has been arranged for 5/8/14 at 10 am to consider a number of Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) documents together with the Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA)

2. Public Services Ombudsman for Wales – Annual Report 2013/14

The Annual Report 2013/14 is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

3. Play Sufficiency – Questionnaire

If your job involves working with children, communities or developing public space - we need your help. This questionnaire will help us to plan training that meets your needs in relation to ensuring sufficient opportunities for all children in Conwy to play in their communities. All completed surveys will go into a prize draw to win a £50 Amazon voucher. Under Section 11 of the Children & Families (Wales) Measure, Conwy County Borough Council has a Statutory Duty to "ensure that professionals whose work impacts directly on children & young people or the places that they find themselves are adequately informed, skilled & qualified (if necessary) to understand how children's play, & this statutory duty, impacts on the sector they work in". We would like you to complete this questionnaire if you are a professional &;

- work directly with children &/or young people
- work with communities in a community development capacity
- work in a sector where planning, designing or developing rural & urban spaces, where children may find themselves, is part of your role
- work in a sector that impacts on how children & young people travel to or from places for play/ recreation (e.g. road safety, transport, safe routes)
- work in community safety
- work in an organization that works on behalf of children's rights, wishes or needs
- work in health
- work in the outdoor sector; or
- work in any capacity where an understanding of children's play needs is a requirement

You can complete the survey on-line

at http://www.conwy.gov.uk/sep/snap/play_sufficiency_workforce/en/

For more information:

- on this survey please contact Martin King-Sheard, Principal Play Officer on 01492 523841 or martinkingsheard@cvsc.org.uk
- on Play Sufficiency visit: <http://www.playwales.org.uk/eng/sufficiency>

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4. Volunteers

Looking for enthusiastic volunteers to run a short term project or do some research for your organisation? Want to share your work with future doctors? Cardiff University Medical Students have the opportunity to enrich their core training by getting involved in projects which enhance their understanding of society, people & challenges they will face in their work. We are particularly looking for opportunities that students can

undertake bilingually – either will staff or service users. Find out more by contacting Sarah Whittam at whittams1@cardiff.ac.uk

5. Road Closures

Conway Road to Bodlondeb Arch, Lower Gate Street, Conwy

15/8/14 to 18/8/14, Conwy River Festival

6. Funding

Flexible Support Grant Funding

11/7/14, 1:30pm, Conwy Business Centre

The Flexible Support Grant Funding aims to fund local partnership activity in Conwy & Denbighshire to deliver specialised support for all JSA customers but especially to groups traditionally considered to be disadvantages in the employment market, such as:

- Ex-offenders
- Living with disability/mental health issues
- Homeless
- Veterans
- Alcohol/substance misuse
- Young people

We are looking to innovative bids to:

- Move people closer to the labour market or into work
- Remove barriers to employment, eg. financial management, drug/alcohol dependency, lack of confidence, skills & motivation

This event is an opportunity to find out more about the funding, meet the funders & also meet Dotun Alade-Odumosu, who has been successfully running projects with this funding in Aylesbury for 3 years. For more information or to book visit

www.flexiblesupportfund.eventbrite.co.uk

7. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

a) Bite Size Money Skills – PennySmart

Making the Most of Your Money

Every Thursday until the end of September, Tan Lan Community Centre, 6:15pm, Free. Training on budgeting, banking, benefits, energy bills, avoiding loan sharks & many more. For more information contact training@pennysmart.org.uk or call 01244 651211

b) Clocaenog Forest Wind Farm Community Funding

The June 2014 information sheet is on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

c) Dementia-Friendly Housing & Gardens

Free webinar, 17/7/14, 3pm to 4pm

How can we design housing to allow people with dementia to live independently for as long as possible? What makes a garden dementia-friendly? Professor June Andrews will be presenting a free webinar on dementia-friendly housing & gardens. The webinar will give details of DSDC's & the University of Stirling's work in this area. For more information please contact the Town Clerk

8. Events

Royal Cambrian Academy

- Tim Pugh RCA (Upper Gallery) 28/6/14 to 19/7/14

Tim is an environmental artist & his ongoing practice of constructing sculptures & sketching out drawings that make use of natural materials & a wide range on

mixed media. He will be exhibiting a new installation for the gallery as well as exhibiting his drawings & photographs

- Digital Art Open 2014 (Lower Gallery) 28/6/14 to 19/7/14

The first digital exhibition in the gallery, a fine collection of digital based artworks by Welsh artists. From digital photography, stills from moving images, paintings created on iPads or digital stylus.

Artists – Tim Dickinson, Lisa Fox, Steven Roberts, Teresa Huntington, Steven Owens, Niki Cotton, Sarah Holyfield, Lisa Williams, Wendy Couling, Paul Kay, Peter Moore, Angela Rigby, Lindsey Colbourne, Kate Roscoe, Emyr Roberts & Annie Williams

9. Newsletters

10. Welsh Government Consultations

Environment & Countryside

Reservoir Safety in Wales: Consultation on the Commencement of Schedule 4 to the Flood & Water Management Act 2010

Closing Date 13/8/14

Health & Social Care

Standardised packaging of tobacco products: draft regulations

Closing date 7/8/14