

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**3rd SEPTEMBER 2018****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. Conwy County Borough Council**

Forward Work Plan

The September Forward Work Plan is available at

<http://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=618&LLL=1>**2. Events**

a) Welsh Government Climate Change Adaptation events

Please see a link to invitations to Welsh Government Climate Change Adaptation events. There are two dates to consider. This will be of particular interest to Public Services Boards that have identified action related to climate change in their Local Well-being Plans or those are working regionally on climate change. <https://wales.business-events.org.uk/en/events/p-86p4z9kxjl05mdn78l12we3yo7r8gvno/> 18th September from 10am to 4pm in Llandudno -

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b) Sported's North Wales Meet & Greets

Here to help community groups survive and thrive. With your sported membership you can access a range of services designed to suit your individual needs. 11/9/18 – 11am – 2pm. Brewers Fayre, Glan Conwy. D.Barklin@sported.org.uk

3. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

a) Understanding Welsh Places

I am writing to let you know about a new project that we have just started working on with our partners. Our aim is to help empower Welsh communities to shape the places where they live and to support towns practitioners and policy makers in creating positive change. We are including you in this email either because you are a friend of the Institute Welsh Affairs (IWA), because you have already spoken with us about the project or because we think that it might be of interest to you and your networks. The project: Understanding Welsh Places. To innovate and get policy decisions right for Wales, community groups, planners and policy makers need relevant, accessible information about places in Wales. Our new project is called 'Understanding Welsh Places' and will create a simple and intuitive website to provide information about individual towns and communities to anyone interested in their future. Users of the website won't need a background in statistics or complicated IT knowledge. By presenting useful data in a simple, straightforward, accessible way, Understanding Welsh Places will give people the tools to foster more resilient communities and improve wellbeing where they live. The site will also differ from other data tools by presenting information at a town or community level, rather than focusing on local authority areas. The information that will feature on the website is still under discussion, but is likely to include data, maps and diagrams about employment, commuting, education, retail, housing, the environment, culture and languages. Community groups will also be able to contribute material. A set of toolkits for undertaking their own town audit will guide them through the process of gathering information and uploading their own views to the website. Why are we focusing on towns? A significant proportion of people in Wales live in towns. Too often, however, town communities are overlooked by public policy. While targeted funding exists for city regions and rural development, there is nothing specific to towns. There is also a lack of data about towns to inform policy development and evidence existing good practice. The IWA has been commissioned by Carnegie UK Trust to work with others to help address these policy and information gaps and to support the development of vibrant and empowered town communities. The Understanding Welsh Places project is also inspired by the Carnegie-funded Understanding Scottish Places website. Collaboration is key. We want to work with the public, private and voluntary sectors in Wales to make sure Understanding Welsh Places is successful. We have already set up a cross-sector group of interested people (including data experts, town and community council representatives, community organisations, representatives of businesses, towns practitioners and others) to shape the content and design of Understanding Welsh Places and, of course, we will be working with target users of the website to make sure it meets their needs. Our first focus groups are being planned at the moment. We'd really like to hear from you too: • Please get in touch to find out more about the project • Tell us if you think Understanding Welsh Places could make a difference for

your community or organisation • Let us know if you could help with user testing or piloting the website • And please pass this email on to your networks. I look forward to hearing from you and to updating you as Understanding Welsh Places develops. Elinor Shepley
Understanding Welsh Places Project Officer. The Institute of Welsh Affairs gratefully acknowledges funding support from the Carnegie UK Trust, If you would prefer not receive further messages about Understanding Welsh Places, please reply with UWP UNSUBSCRIBE in the subject line. Institute of Welsh Affairs, 56 James Street, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff, CF10 5EZ/

b) Action Counter Terrorism Awareness training (ACT)

Communities defeat terrorism. With the enduring terrorist threat, it is now more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism.

The aim of ACT is to: • Help understand the threat from terrorism to the UK • Guide individuals on what to do if they find themselves involved in a terrorist incident or events that lead up to a planned attack • Enable people to recognise and report suspicious activity. This FREE ACT training is presented by a Counter Terrorism Awareness Advisor delivering a range of awareness modules over two hours. Join us on Wednesday 10th October 2018, from 2pm until 4pm in TAPE Community Music and Film, Berthes Road, Old Colwyn, Colwyn Bay LL29 9SD. Refreshments will be provided (tea and coffee). To reserve your place please contact CVSC on 01492 534091 / mail@cvsc.org.uk remembering to let us know of any specific requirements you may have. The course is free of charge, however there will be a £20 cancellation fee charged, if you cancel your place less than 3 days before the event. Non-attendance counts as a cancellation.

c) Environet Cymru September Webinars

I am contacting you on behalf of Environet Cymru to let you know about our upcoming webinars. If you are able to attend or share these webinars it would be most appreciated. Please click the links below to book and share: Webinar: Brexit and our land: Securing the future of Welsh farming Consultation, Date: 5 September 2018, 2pm - Article. Webinar: A Low Carbon Pathway for Wales Consultation Date: 19 September 2018, 2pm – Article. If you would like publicity images or tweets please let me know (available in English and Welsh). If there are any news stories, resources, or events you would like us to promote through our digital channels, please do let us know as we are always happy to share. Please let me know if you require any further information or if you have any suggestions for future webinars and events.

d) Home Life Conference - September 10th 2018

Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction

‘A conference aimed at practitioners working with children and families’

Organiser: Play Wales and the Play Officers North Wales Group. We are pleased to invite you to a North Wales conference aimed at improving the home lives of children and their families through an increased understanding and experience of play. The conference will focus on ways in which we might create the conditions for more playful parenting and identify ways of better supporting parents to improve opportunities for playing. We have all played and as such we know that in some way it contributed significantly to make us the people we are today. Playing helped us consolidate that which we were taught, play helped compliment that which we were developing, play exposed us to new experiences and was the way we worked through ones we found difficult. Play was the way we built attachments with people and places. Most significantly, through playing, we developed social and emotional intelligence, self-regulation, engaged cognitively and creatively with the world around us and it was fun, motivating and rewarding. This conference will explore attitudes and approaches to childhood, consider issues around child development and explore notions of play, its role and function. We will identify some of the competing demands and issues that negatively impact on the conditions that could support a more playful home life and ways in which those demands might be re-balanced. In February 2013 United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child published General Comment 17 clarifying the right children have to play, what is meant by the term play and demonstrating the complexities and both immediate and longer term benefits of play. Most worryingly, it presented a comprehensive discussion of a range of competing demands negatively influencing how play is viewed, provided and in turn experienced by children. In July 2014 the Welsh Government introduced a statutory duty on local authorities to secure sufficient play opportunities for children living in their areas. This duty is concerned with increasing and protecting the time, space and permission children have to play throughout all aspects of their lives. As such it is of significant importance that the home, where children spend the most significant amount of their daily lives and those that support home and family life are appreciative of the nature and benefits of play and are capable of creating the conditions to support it. To book your FREE place visit

www.playwales.org.uk/eng/events. Lunch will be provided Please let us know if you require translation if contributions are made in Welsh.

e) Onevoice Wales training

Abergele Town Council, Council Offices, Llanddulas Road, Abergele. LL22 7BT Please bring this to the attention of your council. The cost of the training is £40 for members or £60 per person for non members. You will be invoiced after the training has taken place. There is a bursary available to eligible councils – a copy of which is attached. Start time is 6:30pm until 9:00pm Wednesday 14th November Module 12 - Community/Place Planning Tuesday 11th December Module 14 - Equality & Diversity Tuesday 22nd January 2019 Module 5 - The Council Meeting Thursday 14th February 2019 Module 1 - The Council Thursday 14th March 2019 Module 6 - Local Government Finance

4. Road Closure

New Street, Conwy - Bryn Terrace to Llanrwst Road
04/09/2018 to 06/09/2018 – Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water

5. National Assembly for Wales

Consultation: Supporting and Promoting the Welsh Language: An inquiry into the legislative, policy and wider context. Supporting and Promoting the Welsh Language: An inquiry into the legislative, policy and wider context. The National Assembly for Wales' Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee has just launched 'Supporting and Promoting the Welsh Language: An inquiry into the legislative, policy and wider context'. We would like to invite you to contribute to our written consultation. Further details on the inquiry and how to respond are available on the website. The closing date is 14 September 2018. To direct your response, the terms of reference to the consultation are:

- Post legislative scrutiny of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 - to assess the perceived successes and limitations of the legislation, and the impact and effectiveness of Welsh Language standards in improving and increasing access to Welsh language services.
- To assess whether the legislative framework supports or limits Welsh language promotion and its use.
- An international perspective - gathering evidence on legislation to protect and promote minority language planning in other countries.

To note, there is no designated submission form – please send your response in the body of an e-mail or by attaching a document, or in writing to the following address: Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee, National Assembly for Wales Cardiff Bay, Cardiff, CF99 1NA. Please forward this email to any organisation or individual you think would like to contribute to the inquiry. If you would like any further information, please get in touch.

6. Newsletters

Tree Charter Newsletter

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