

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
10th November 2014
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Conwy County Borough Council

a) Forward Work Programme

The October 2014 Forward Programme can be found at

<http://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=548&LLL=0>

2. Scope house-to-house collection dates

Notification of Scope house-to-house collection dates. The collections will take place between: 30/3/15 to 19/4/15 & 4/4/16 to 24/4/16. We shall be operating under the Exemption Order granted to us by the Home Office. However, I wanted to communicate the dates to you as early as possible to help you plan the collections for your area. I am writing to all Local Authorities of England & Wales, Police Forces of England & Wales & all other charities with a Home Office Exemption Order. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Chloe Laurance, Scope, Supporter Care, 6 Market Road, London, N7 9PW. Tel: 02076197296. Email: supportercare@scope.org.uk

3. Carers Research Project: If information is part of the solution, what's the problem?

Online Survey

Carers tell us that the right information, presented at the right time, in the right way, is a fundamental requirement to coping with the demands of their caring role. You are being invited to complete a survey that is looking into what makes information work for carers; to support provision of the best quality information in the future. Your perspective as a person working with carers is valuable. This survey will take approximately ten minutes to complete, simply go to

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Carers_Information. I would appreciate your response by 17/11/2014. Further information can be found on the attached information sheet. This project is being organised by Steven Baker in conjunction with Bangor University for his Master of Arts Degree in Social Policy by Research study & as such, it is independent academic study. Faithfully Steven Baker. If you have any questions or experience technical difficulties accessing or submitting the survey please contact Steven Baker sop255@bangor.ac.uk

4. Get ready to Grow Wild. Registration for seed kits is now open

Grow Wild has thousands of free seed kits to share so people can transform their local spaces into beautiful, inspiring & colourful wild flower havens. Join one of the UK's biggest-ever seed sowing campaigns & help to create over one million square metres of wild flowers in spring 2015. Register today to receive wild flower seeds native to your country for you to share with people in your formal & informal group/s, including activity clubs, societies, work places, schools & neighbourhoods. There are 120,000 free kits up for grabs & all you need to do to register on behalf of your group/s is fill in Grow Wild's simple two-minute form at www.growwilduk.com/register-seedkit?partnerid=8f3b3038 Registration closes at midnight on 14/2/15 & the kits will be sent out in late March, just in time for spring sowing. Please pass on this registration web link to other groups you know that might also like to join. Our 3,700 group leaders who received spring 2014 kits can register again for our spring 2015 kits. Many thanks
The Grow Wild team

5. Support available to create and share digital Welsh language community news

Over the next six months Cardiff University's Centre for Community Journalism will be running a campaign to support anyone who wishes to create & share news & content through the medium of Welsh. Bite sized tips & tools will be made available regularly focusing on the optimum use of the most popular social media networks such as Facebook & Twitter; digital tools & information that has been created specifically for use in Welsh; & more general information on how to set up & run websites & other community news services. With the support of the Welsh Government, we will also be providing free training in several locations as well as a step-by-step guide and mentoring for those who wish to create or improve effective community news or information services. We are really keen to ensure that as many people as possible hear about the tools & support on offer to create & share content in Welsh. If you have connections within Welsh communities please share the following pages to help grow the Welsh language online. www.facebook.com/DigidolArDaith twitter.com/digidolardaith. www.digidolardaith.com For more information email helo@digidolardaith.com

6. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

a) WCVA training-Getting impact measures into your business processes

19/11/14, Rhyl, LL18 3EB. £125.00 for Members. How to integrate measures to demonstrate your impact into your business planning.

b) Health & Wellbeing Lecture

Health & wellbeing public lecture series V 10/14 to 4/15, Venue Cymru, Llandudno. Tuesday Evenings 6pm- 8.30pm. Free to attend but registration essential to book your place. The Health & Wellbeing Public Lecture Series V are the result of a partnership between BCUHB, BU & GLLM & supported by Welsh Government. Please could you pass this on to your contacts. The Lectures are free, though those wishing to attend are asked to book online (see flyer) in order that numbers can be catered for. Free refreshments are provided & a certificate of attendance can be requested. The lectures are aimed at a lay audience of the general public. To date they have had outstanding feedback & are highly recommended. For more information or to book a place, please visit: the CADARN Skills Centre website at www.cadarnskillscentre.ac.uk Or email: nerys.hague@bangor.ac.uk Or telephone: 01248 382258

c) Free Motiv8 sessions

On behalf of UNLLAIS please find information on Motiv8 below: "Motiv8 West would like to announce some exciting news, Communities First will be providing vouchers for £3.50 towards the cost of lunch at this years Motiv8. This will be available for the first 100 service users & carers to arrive at the event. Motiv8 will be held on 20/11/14 in Caernarfon Tennis Courts. Free activity sessions include: 5 aside football, Pool Tournaments, Cake decorating, Badminton, Tai Chi, Climbing (weather permitting), Art project, Hand massage, Archery, Basket Ball, Metabolic Effect (exercise), Falconry demonstrations, Gym/exercise by referral, Spinning and hand spinning demonstrations, Zumba, Burlesque. •Stalls providing information, advice & support, • COMPETITIONS: Captiv8 My Motiv8 – photography competition – take photos of Motiv8 (conditions apply) Most Motiv8'd – award for the most motivated person having a go at as many activities as they can •Vouchers available for leisure centres in Gwynedd, Anglesey & Conwy & vouchers for sessions for some of the activities after Motiv8 (conditions apply). Please note the lunch offer is available to the first 100 service users & carers and not staff/stall holders

d) Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) Workshop

What does it involve and is it right for your organisation? Come along to this informal & practical workshop, led by Jason Edwards, CVSC Enterprising Communities Officer to find out all about this recent new organisation structure & find out about: the benefits, the challenges, the how to...& when it is appropriate 10/11/14 1:30 for 2pm start until 4pm, CVSC Offices, Colwyn Bay, LL29 7DP Please contact CVSC on 01492 534091 or e-mail mail@cvsc.org.uk to book your place, remembering to let us know of any specific requirements you may have.

e) CVSC & Estyn Llaw Training "Developing bilingualism in your organisation: An introduction"

17/11/14: 1pm- 4pm, CVSC Offices, Colwyn Bay, LL29 7DP & 18/11/14 9:30am-12:30pm, Betws y Coed Memorial Hall, LL24 OBY. The aim of this course, which is organised jointly between Estyn Llaw & CVSC, is to give an introduction to local organisations on bilingualism. It will be purposeful for any charity or society which is interested in increasing their use of the Welsh language, & want practical support in doing so. The course is also aimed at organisations which are unsure of the obligations of bilingualism, & want a basic introduction to the topic. By the end of the course, you will: Understand the concept of bilingualism. Have awareness of the historical and contemporary role of the Welsh language, along with its legal status. Have analysed why working through the medium of Welsh is advantageous, & sometimes essential. Have gained a better understanding of how to operate bilingually. Understand the linguistic obligations of funding and grants. Know which organisations are available to help you with the Welsh language, & how to get in touch with them. For further details: Course content: Siwan Tomos (Estyn Llaw project manager) siwan.tomos@iaith.eu, book: CVSC, 01492 534091 or email@cvsc.org.uk

f) Your Charity – Get Fit for Your Future – Trustees Shared Learning Seminar Briefing

As so much of your attention is often focussed on the immediate pressures facing your charity, you & your fellow trustees can lose sight of the planning that is needed to secure your charity's future. This seminar looks to equip you to ensure your charity's continued success by planning well and future-proofing your charity by focussing on: good governance to understand & manage risks; having the right people around the table to lead & advise; new & alternative sources of income. Due to the current financial climate, lots of charities are finding that they are having to live off their reserves, & that traditional funding sources are getting more difficult to obtain. Many face an uncertain future, as they know they cannot continue in the way they are currently operating. To overcome this, charities need to explore new sources of income & make sure those income streams are right for their situation. The Seminar is aimed at Trustees & Chairs of: Public Sector organisations; Voluntary sector organisations; Social Enterprises, community businesses & co-operatives. Where & When: Llanrwst, Conwy: 13/11/14. If you would like to secure a delegate place or if you would like to discuss any aspect of the seminar, please email: sharedlearningevent@wao.gov.uk. Places are limited to two per organisation.

7. Funding

Winter Wellbeing Grant from Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

Winter Well Being Grant Funding 2014/2015. The Health Board is inviting applications from Third Sector Organisations for grant funding to Promote Good Health & Wellbeing during the Winter Months (1st December 2014 to 31st March 2015). Applications are welcomed from all Third Sector Organisations including Organisations currently in receipt of funding from the Health Board. However, funding will not be awarded for

services currently funded by the Health Board. The funding should be for a specific project/initiative & innovation in your proposal is encouraged & will be welcomed. This funding is time limited & non-recurrent & must be used for the sole purpose of achieving your proposal as outlined in your application form. Funding must be used by the 31st March 2015. Funding Available. The estimated funding available in 2014/15 is £21,500 & will be distributed equally between the 3 divisions within North Wales, namely West (Ynys Mon & Gwynedd), central (Conwy & Denbighshire) & East (Wrexham & Flintshire). There is no minimum amount of funding that can be applied for however, applications for funding should not exceed £7,500 per division. There is no limit on the number of applications an Organisation can submit. For applications Forms contact Rachel Owen at Rachel.Owen6@wales.nhs.uk or telephone 01745 4488586 ext 2544 Submission of Applications. All applications should be submitted electronically to Rachel Owen at rachel.owen6@wales.nhs.uk. Applications should be submitted no later than 5pm on 14/11/14 any applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

8. Newsletters

a) CVSC's October Funding News

The October 2014 issue is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

b) Clerks & Councils Direct

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9. Welsh Government Consultations

Communities

National Training Framework on gender – based violence, domestic abuse & sexual violence
Closing Date 19/12/14

Environment & Countryside

Review of the existing policy on disposal of higher activity radioactive waste
Closing Date 22/1/15

Health & Social Care

Human Transplantation (Wales) Act 2013: New Regulations
Closing Date 15/1/15

Improving Public Services

Devolution, Democracy & Delivery White Paper-Public Services Staff Commission
Closing Date 13/1/15