

**MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL****6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2016****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. Conwy Bridge Refurbishment Update 27/5/16**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> section of the scaffolding frame is being assembled while crews have begun cleaning & repairing the inner parts of the bridge. Crews have removed a skip-load of guano – pigeon droppings – from the 1<sup>st</sup> section of the bridge. A temporary overnight lane closure has taken place so that the crews could complete the construction of the scaffolding frame & work on the street lights. The site hoarding – the temporary partition across the bridge – has been painted the colour of the completed bridge – *Signal Grey*.

**2. Conwy County Borough Council****a) Joint Meeting of the Communities & Customers Overview & Scrutiny Committees**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 6pm to consider – Car Parking Asset Strategy Review – Scrutiny Task & Finish Group Interim Report No. 1B

**3. Take Notice Project – Shelter Cymru**

Have you ever challenged your perception of homelessness? Take Notice is an exciting, 3 year project supported by the Big Lottery Fund that brings people together to have their say on housing & homelessness issues in Wales. The project uses the experience of real people who have used housing & homelessness services in Wales to directly influence policy & decision-makers, service providers, the media & communities. Do you know of a community group or service who would be interested in speaking to our project members who have experienced homelessness & would like to increase their understanding of it? Have you experienced homelessness or a housing crisis yourself? We would love to hear from you & get you involved! For more information please contact Manu on the Take Notice Project on [manuelab@sheltercymru.org.uk](mailto:manuelab@sheltercymru.org.uk), 01978 317917 or 07866536973

**4. Road Closures****a) Conwy Pirate Weekend**

7am 24/6/16 to 7pm 26/6/16 Lower Gate Street, Conwy from Conwy Bridge to Town Ditch & Lower High Street, Conwy from Berry Street to Lower Gate Street

**b) Property 73 to Junction of Cilgwyn, Pen Dyffryn, Llandudno Junction**

12/7/16 to 29/7/16, Welsh Water work, contractor - Coastal Drainage Ltd.

**5. Funding****a) CVSC Funding Portal**

CVSC has a Funding Portal! You can use it to identify sources of funding for your next community project. You can access the portal using your computer, laptop or tablet. One to one Funding Portal appointments are available with Development Officer Emma Jones on 9/6/16. This is your opportunity to:

- Get registered on the portal
- Learn how to use the portal to search for funding
- See the portal in action
- Get hints and tips on how to make the most of the portal
- Discuss project ideas and identify potential funding sources

To schedule an appointment, contact Emma: [emmajones@cvsc.org.uk](mailto:emmajones@cvsc.org.uk) or call 01492 523 843

**b) The Prince's Trust**

The Prince's Trust currently has funding available to help young people aged 14-25 to access training & employment opportunities. They could be awarded up to £250 to help them to attend interviews, start a course or help them cover travel costs until they receive their first pay at a new job! The Prince's Trust also currently has money specifically for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math related opportunities!

To be eligible for a Development you must be;

- aged 14-17 still in compulsory education & do not have/are at risk of achieving fewer than 5 GCSEs grades A-C, or
- aged 17-25 left compulsory education & working less than 16 hours a week or in education less than 14 hours a week

Examples of what can be funded include tools or equipment for a job or qualification, course fees, interview clothes, transport costs to a new job until your first pay.

Visit us at <https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/get-funding-train-learn> or Call us on [0800 842 842](tel:0800842842) or Text 'CALL ME' to [07983 385418](tel:07983385418)

**c) The Prince's Trust**

I am delighted to share with you our latest news regarding the Enterprise Programme in North Wales including our latest sustainability figures. Should you have any young person who wishes to explore a business idea please do not hesitate to contact me using the numbers below or apply via our web site [www.princes-trust.org.uk](http://www.princes-trust.org.uk). The Princes Trust has increased its loan amount for start-up businesses to a maximum of £7.5k & can also support this with a grant of up to £500. We have also re-instated our Grant Only support for those businesses who do not require a lot of start-up funds. The maximum amount will be carefully managed as we do not wish to raise unrealistic expectations or encourage young people to borrow more than they can afford. The Trust has also released a statistical report showing Positive Outcomes for young people who have taken part in the Explore Enterprise course, these are as follows;

- Across the UK in 14/15 20% of YP who engaged with the Enterprise Programme went on to start a business with Prince's Trust support
- In North Wales in 14/15 we supported 48 new businesses
- In North Wales, of those YP that don't go on to start a business, 83% were in a positive outcome of Education, Employment, Training or Volunteering after 6 months
- Of these 48% were in employment and 45% in self employment (i.e. running their own business but without a PT loan or mentor) after 6 months
- We are in an excellent position to be able to offer alternative support to those young people who decide not to go ahead with their business ideas, unlike other providers who might just send young people in that position back to you at the jobcentre.

I am delighted that this independent evaluation has confirmed that sustainability rates amongst our businesses are extremely high. More than ¾ (76%) of Prince's Trust-supported businesses are still trading after 2 years & 73% after 3 years. These results are better than the comparable figures for all UK start-up businesses, which is particularly impressive given the relative youth & inexperience of the entrepreneurs

Marion Smith, Programme Executive - Enterprise Programme, The Princes Trust Cymru, Morfa Hall, Church Street, Rhyl, Denbighshire, LL18 3AA 01745 366681 or 07538473919

**d) Active Inclusion (Youth) Fund**

WCVA Funding Opportunities for Those Offering Employment Support to Young People & the Over 25s. Come to 1 of WCVA's free events happening across Wales to hear about new funding from the Active Inclusion (Youth) Fund. Any organisations that can offer activities, qualifications or supported employment to young people who are not in employment, education or training, are invited to apply to WCVA's Active Inclusion (Youth) Fund. The fund is supported by the European Social Fund through Welsh Government, managed by WCVA & will operate in the West Wales & Valleys region. It is very similar to the Active Inclusion funds already open for over 25s, but this fund will focus on 16 - 24 year olds, particularly those young people who are furthest from the labour market & have multiple barriers to employment. If your organisation is already an 'approved beneficiary' for the Active Inclusion Fund, it may also have been approved for the 16 - 24 age group and if so, will receive invitations to make grant applications as soon as they are published. If you are new to Active Inclusion, or European funding, WCVA is holding a series of events across Wales, which will introduce the fund, explain the online application process & offer support with networking & project planning. Applications for the over 25s are still open across Wales. Book your place

now by contacting [activeinclusion@wcva.org.uk](mailto:activeinclusion@wcva.org.uk)  
3 June 2016 – 10am – 1pm – Denbighshire/Conwy

## 6. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

### a) One Voice Wales Courses

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| 7/6/16  | Understanding the Law                       | Penmaenmawr |
| 16/6/16 | The Council Meeting                         | Mold        |
| 16/6/16 | Information Management                      | Llangefni   |
| 30/6/16 | The Council as an Employer (Welsh)          | Caernarfon  |
| 11/7/16 | Local Government Finance (Advanced)         | Penmaenmawr |
| 14/7/16 | Introduction to Community Engagement        | Llangefni   |
| 20/7/16 | Local Government Finance (Advanced)         | Abergele    |
| 28/7/16 | The Council as an Employer                  | Mold        |
| 28/7/16 | Making Effective Grant Applications (Welsh) | Caernarfon  |

Courses are from 6:30pm to 9pm & cost £45. For more information please contact the Town Clerk

### b) Iaith Training Programme

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| 15/6/16  | Working Bilingually in the Third Sector  | Mold       |
| 6/7/16   | Engaging with Communities                | Bangor     |
| 15/7/16  | Introduction to Language Planning        | Caernarfon |
| 12/10/16 | Facilitating Bilingual Training Sessions | Llanrwst   |

For more information please contact the Town Clerk

### c) WCVA Courses

- Engaging with Seldom Heard Individuals & Communities – 9/6/16, Rhyl  
Identify the various barriers to involvement & learn about, explore & share strategies to minimise or overcome these
- Financial Policies - 30/6/16, Rhyl  
Are your policies thorough, robust & appropriate? Our new course reviews good practice & considers the effects of recent legislation
- Full Cost Recovery - 12/7/16, Wrexham  
A ½ day workshop all about this key method of budgeting, essential when applying for project funding or bidding services

## 7. Events

### a) Royal Cambrian Academy of Art

The Gallery will be open Sundays throughout the Summer from 12noon to 4pm

### b) National Croquet Day

5/6/16 1pm to 5pm, come & try “The Croquet Experience”. A game of skill that anyone can play. A sport with that competitive edge. Try something new. Llanfairfechan & North Wales Croquet Club, Shore Road West, Llanfairfechan. LL33 0BP (near the railway station). Bring with you a sense of fun & a pair of flat shoes (eg.trainers). For more information call 01248 680861

### c) Radio Ysbyty Glan Clwyd Fundraising Evening

17/6/16, 7:30pm to 9:30pm, The Little Theatre, Vale Road, Rhyl, LL18 2BS  
Cake stall, raffle, tombola, refreshments, guess the teddy’s name, plus a concert with a variety of acts  
Adults £5, children £2 [studio@radioglanclwyd.co.uk](mailto:studio@radioglanclwyd.co.uk) or call 01745 584229

### d) i61 Church “£10 Challenge”

Over the last 3 years i61 church based in Llandudno Junction has run a local fund raising scheme called the ‘£10 Challenge’. The concept is simple but very entrepreneurial - it encourages people’s ingenuity & profit making skills. We feel any workplace could enjoy the challenge, not only having fun but increasing positive dynamics as a team unit. It works like this: we give your group a £10 note & your team makes it grow into as much as it possibly can in 8 weeks. All proceeds are then given to 10 local community groups who have been through a nomination process & recognised as being worthwhile recipients. The public get a chance to vote online too. In 2013 we distributed 120 £10 notes (£1200) & 8 weeks later back came £10,255.31. We then gave this to give to 10 local good causes which included the Llandudno Junction Good Citizens (u12s) scheme, Conwy Foodbank & Hope Restored in Llandudno, who feed the homeless. In each case the money was put to excellent use. Womens’ Aid, Llandudno put the money towards play equipment for the children at their refuge. Awyr Las took

children to a Pantomime at Christmas. In 2014 we gave away 150 £10 notes (£1,500) & 8 weeks later back came £12,497.65, but when the final total came in we had over £13k. This meant over £1,300 was distributed to each of the 10 local community groups chosen to be recipients that year. In 2015 the total raised was over £18k & in 2016 we want to raise even more. You can find more details online & see what we did over the last 3 years

["https://www.facebook.com/10quidchallenge"](https://www.facebook.com/10quidchallenge) & <http://www.i61.church>

We are already working towards this year's '£10 Challenge' which will launch on 27/9/16 & conclude on 29/11/16 & we are looking for groups of people who will consider being fundraising participants. The more people involved, the larger the return for the groups & good causes we seek to help through this initiative. Would your team be interested in taking part? If so, would it help to have someone from i61 come & share what it is all about & how it works? We can be available at a mutually convenient time to come & motivate & encourage your team to be part of something very community centred. Llandudno Junction Councillor Mike Priestley said about the '£10 Challenge': "This is a fantastic event that brings our community together having fun raising significant funds for local groups, I fully support all that this achieves & have taken part in both of the last 2 years" If you are interested, You can contact me by email at [afletcher2312@gmail.com](mailto:afletcher2312@gmail.com). We hope you might give this your consideration as it will benefit the local community greatly. Alison Fletcher, i61 Church