

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**16th February 2015****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. Conwy County Borough Council****a) Forward Work Programme**

The January 2015 Forward Programme can be found at
<http://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=552&LLL=0>

b) Meetings

A Special Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee has been arranged for 9/4/15 at 6pm. The item for consideration will be the Abergele Place Plan.

2. Letter of Thanks**a) A. Lermon**

"Many thanks to Conwy Town Council, for the fantastic support you've shown the Civic Trust for Wales & Conwy Civic Society. Thank you for making us all so welcome last week, it was very kind. Best wishes Anna"

b) Cerdded Conwy Walks- S. Williams

"On behalf of Cerdded Conwy Walks group, I would like to thank you for your kind donation towards the groups work. We look forward to an exciting year & developing our walks programmes, regards Sian Williams, Secretary"

3. Have your say on leisure services in Wales

The Wales Audit Office launches a citizen survey into the current state of Welsh council sport & recreation services. Services are changing Wales. In these times of austerity local government has to re-assess which services to prioritise & many services now have to deliver with less. In a series of reports the Wales Audit Office is investigating the impact of these changes on the public in Wales & we now want to hear from you on how good your local council's leisure services are & what you think should be done to improve them. Our review team want to hear from you & your experiences with leisure service, the information gather will help shape & develop the final report being produced in 2015. We have produced a short survey to support this work & are encouraging residents & visitors to tell us about their experience, good or bad, when using council leisure services. You can complete the short, anonymous, survey by visiting our website atyourleisure.wao.gov.uk which provides a link to the survey as well as some further information. Auditor General for Wales, Huw Vaughan Thomas said: "Authorities need to ensure that what they provide is valued by service users & is cost effective. Leisure services are an important aspect in all our daily lives, but because they are not being protected in the current round of budget cuts, they are at risk of being reduced. I want to encourage as many people as possible to have their say on these services & how their council are consulting with residents over where to make budget cuts." For more information please contact Matt Davies 029 2032 0519 or email matthew.davies@wao.gov.uk

4. Help Families in Wales Get Healthier with Change 4 Life Sugar Swaps

We wanted to let you know about the latest exciting phase of the Change 4 Life campaign- Sugar Swaps - which aims to help families make some very simple swaps to everyday things they eat, so they can cut down the amount of sugar they consume. Change4Life is the Welsh Government campaign, which has been helping families all across Wales eat well, move more & live longer. We want to get as many families as possible to sign up to Sugar Swaps by signing up on our website at www.change4lifewales.org.uk to receive a free pack with money-off vouchers & lots of hints & tips to get them started. You can follow us on Facebook at: Change4LifeWales & on Twitter: @C4LWales, & show your

support by uploading one of the enclosed 'buttons' as your profile picture. Please also consider using the email footer in the pack, to show your support & to help spread the word. We have also included some posters, which we hope you will download & display on your premises. Please feel free to pass the pack on to your networks & encourage them to do the same. We are very grateful for your help & support in spreading this important message throughout Wales & we hope you enjoy taking part in the Sugar Swaps campaign too. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions we can help with. Best regards from the Change 4 Life Team

5. A commitment to change

Transforming Health Improvement in Wales .Here at Public Health Wales we are changing the way we work to improve people's health & wellbeing. There is lots of good work going on already - but we think we can do even better. We have reviewed our health improvement programmes, & we know there's more we can do to help people to stay healthy. We are changing, we will be doing more to improve people's health where they live, learn, work & play. We will be focussing on addressing the behaviours that lead to poor health in schools, workplaces & communities. We want you to be involved, and we want to build better networks with our partners. That process starts with us keeping you up-to-date with this work to transform health improvement in Wales. We also want to hear what you think. Email your views or any questions you may have about health improvement in Wales to Transforming.Health-Improvement@wales.nhs.uk Dr Julie BishopPublic Health

6. IoF National Fundraising Awards 2015

We are pleased to announce the launch of the IoF National Fundraising Awards 2015. These awards showcase excellence, recognise achievement, & are a celebration of the fundraising successes of the sector over the past year. The National Fundraising Awards provide an excellent opportunity to recognise & reward the fundraising successes of organisations, teams & individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the sector over the year. Winners will be revealed at a celebratory dinner taking place on 6/7/15 at the Hilton London Metropole. The Awards take place as part of the IoF National Fundraising Convention, a three-day event taking place 6th - 8th July 2015, offering specialised learning opportunities delivered by leading experts. Nominate now, we look forward to receiving your nominations & hearing about your fundraising successes. Nominations close on 5pm on 20/3/15.

7. The National Diversity Awards 2015

The National Diversity Awards in association with Microsoft is a celebration of the outstanding achievements of positive role models & community organisations across the UK. A collection of some of the nation's most inspirational & selfless people gather annually to recognise the country's rich tapestry of talent. The prestigious black tie event showcases the extraordinary work of those who have demonstrated their devotion to enhancing equality, diversity and inclusion in today's society. To Nominate please visit: www.nationaldiversityawards.co.uk

8. Funding

Burbo Bank Extension Community Fund - Online Consultation Survey Summary

We are pleased to let you know that the Online Consultation Survey Summary relating to the Burbo Bank Extension Community Fund has now been published. Hundreds of people completed the survey & the views & opinions expressed will be used to help shape & define the Fund. Thanks to everyone who took part. To view the report please go to the following link: <http://grantscape.org.uk/?p=1566>. & then the orange link. What Happens Next? GrantScape will be holding a series of local public exhibitions to allow people to find out more about the Fund. The events have now been scheduled & are as follows: 3/3/15 (2pm to 7pm) @ The Beaches Hotel – Prestatyn <http://www.thebeacheshotel.com>

10/3/15 (2pm to 7pm) @ The Parade, Hoylake Community Centre

<http://www.hoylakeparade.com>

11/3/15 (2pm to 7pm) @ Crosby Lakeside Adventure Centre

<http://www.crosbylakeside.co.uk>.

Anyone who would like to know more about the Fund, discuss their project idea, or find out how you will be able to apply, please feel free to come along & meet the GrantScape team. There is no need to book a space, just drop in at the venue nearest to you! Well in advance of the first event, a map showing the proposed area that will be covered by the Fund will be circulated. Further details about these events & the Fund can be found on our website at the following link:

<http://grantscape.org.uk/bbecbf/>

You can also follow us on Twitter @GrantScape1. Many thanks for your time. Elizabeth Payne Grant Manager

9. Road Closures

a) Y Berllan to Oakwood Lane, Henrdre Road, Conwy

16/03/2015 to 23/03/2015, Electric work

b) From Lower High Street to Conwy Bridge, Lower Gate Street, Conwy

3pm - 25/04/2015 to 8pm - 26/04/2015, Cycle race

c) Junction of Conway Rd, to St Margaret's Rd, Oswald Rd rear west, Llandudno

Junction 20/2/15 – BT work

10. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

a) FREE PLACE at Park Life Conference - Improving play spaces

25/3/15 9.30am- 3.30pm, Bodnant Welsh Food, Furnace Farm, Tal-y-cafn, Conwy, LL28

5RP. <http://www.bodnant-welshfood.co.uk> There are only 15 Places Per County so please

Book Early to avoid disappointment. All places inc. refreshments & lunch

Please share this with any professional or volunteer you think may be interested.

b) All Wales Safeguarding Awareness Training

One day course. This course is based on the Care Council for Wales 'All Wales Safeguarding Awareness Training', & is an Introductory Level course to Safeguarding Children, Young People & Vulnerable Adults. Dates: 26/2/15 Pavilion Theatre, East Parade, Rhyl, LL18 3AQ. The course will be delivered through the medium of English.

Time: 9.30am -4.30pm. Cost: Free – Funded by the Conwy & Denbighshire LSCB, Please note that Lunch is not provided

c) WCVA training- Influencing Welsh policies and legislation

The aim of this one day training course is to improve the ability of those working in the third sector to improve the level of influence they have in relation to policy decisions & legislation. Price-£125.00 to Members . 18/3/15, Rhyl

d) REMINDER: CVSC Information Drop in Days

Come and join us at these Information drop in sessions, where you can find out some excellent advice and guidance on a whole range of different things, including volunteering opportunities! 25/2/15 1pm to 4 pm Conwy Football Club, Y Morfa Stadium, Penmaen Road, Conwy, LL32 8HA

e) One Voice Wales training

Please find below details of training sessions that are taking place in or around your area, please bring this to the attention of your council. The cost of the training is £35 for members or £45 per person for non members. Start time is 6:30pm until 9:00pm.

03/03/2015, Abergele Town Council, Council Offices, Llanddulas Road, Abergele. LL22 1AT
Module 16 – Use of IT, Websites and Social Media

06/03/2015, Jubilee Room, Town Hall, Earl Road, Mold, CH7 1AB
Module 4 Understanding the Law

12/03/2015 The Institute, Pavillion Hill, Caernarfon, LL55 1AT
Module 5 – The Council Meeting – WELSH

26/03/2015, Bangor Isycoed Village Hall, Overton Road, Wrexham, LL13 0BY
Module 8 – Introduction to Community Engagement

11. Events

a) Action for Asperger's WALES - World Autism Day

27/3/15- 2/4/15 "Sponsor-me-a-jigsaw" challenge. Action for Asperger's Wales branch, Llandudno Junction are holding this fundraiser challenge. The participant will have 2 hrs to do as much of a personally chosen jigsaw puzzle as possible. Sponsorship forms are available by calling 01832 272288 & leaving a message, email info@actionforaspergers.org or Facebook/Twitter private message. All monies raised go directly back into the charity.

b) PQASSO for Wales briefing events

I am pleased to send you information about our briefing events to find out more about PQASSO & opportunities to get involved in the PQASSO for Wales project. We will hold the same event in the morning (9.30am-12pm) & again in the afternoon (1pm-3.30pm) at each venue. Please note that the afternoon event in each venue will be held in Welsh. Refreshments will be available but please note that lunch will not be provided. The first events will be taking place on 25 & 26/2/15. We hope to see you at one of our briefing events. To download the booking form go to: <http://www.ces-vol.org.uk/PQASSO/pqasso-wales/briefing-events> With thanks for your support, Heledd.

c) CAMRE Bursary celebration - change of date

On behalf of CAIS please find below information on the CAMRE bursary event & its change of date. We apologise for any inconvenience caused by the late notification. Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to reschedule the CAMRE Bursary celebration from the 28/1 to the 11/3. We are sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause & hope you will be able to join us in March to celebrate 6 years of the bursary helping individuals to break out of a cycle of substance misuse &/or offending. Please RSVP by Friday 27th February by emailing kimberley.ferguson@cais.org.uk or calling 01492 523821.

d) Audrey Hind with Karel Lek at the Royal Cambrian

You are invited to the Audrey Hind exhibition 2pm 21/2/15 at the Royal Cambrian Academy.

e) Sing Along & Tea for the Older Population

Sing along & tea, Ty Llewelyn Community Centre, Ffordd yr Orsedd, Llandudno, LL39 1LA. 24/2/15, 2.30pm-4pm £2

f) Friday Night is Music Night

A night of 40's music featuring: Llandudno Swing Band & the Soggy Bottom Tribute Band & various other artists. 17/4/15, 7.30pm. All tickets £6 available from Theatre Colwyn Box Office 01492 577888. All proceeds will go to MacMillan Cancer Support

g) Great British Fish and Chip Supper

"Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people rebuild lives after injury"
Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday 15th May 2015. Want to eat Fish & Chips, while raising money for charity? Hold a fish & chip supper on Friday 15th May 2015 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury & supporting SIA's vital services. You can hold a fish & chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre. SIA will provide a fundraising pack containing hints & tips, recipes, invitations & donation envelopes. By inviting 8 friends & asking them to donate an additional £5.00 means you will raise at least £40.00 from your supper but we will also give you additional fundraising ideas to raise even more money for SIA. In 2015 we want to make the batter matter & raise £40,000 from everyone holding suppers. Last year we raised £20,000 from the suppers. The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed & their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, & for the rest of their lives by providing services & publications which enable & encourage paralysed people to rebuild lives after spinal cord injury. Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury there are an estimated 40,000 spinal cord injured people in the UK alone. Community Fundraising Manager, Elizabeth Wright, says, "The Fish and Chip Supper is a wonderful opportunity for a great evening with friends & family. We are also encouraging people who work to hold a Fish & Chip Lunch in their work places to raise even more funds. You may be even a local community

group wanting to run a fun evening with your group. For more information or request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk or visit www.siafishandchips.co.uk

h) Jobs Fair- Janet Finch-Saunders AM/AC

In conjunction with A4E, Job Centre Plus & Working Links we are holding a Jobs Fair
Venue: The Assembly Rooms, Llandudno Town Hall, Lloyd Street Llandudno LL30 2UP
18/2/15. Employer stakeholder event: 9am to 12pm Open forum: 1pm to 4pm

12. Newsletters

a) HTF events and training opportunities

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

b) Big Lunch 2015

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

c) Business Wales

The February 2015 newsletter is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

13. Welsh Government Consultations

Closing Date

Education & Skills

- Raising the ambitions & educational attainment of children who are looked after in Wales
4/5/15

Environment & Countryside

- Amendments to Government guidance notes on the waste of batteries & accumulators guidance 2009
22/2/15
- Review of requirements for the trading of captive bred birds
24/3/15
- Call for evidence on the use & effectiveness of civil sanctions for environmental offences
30/3/15
- Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) Consultation- UK Marine programme of measures
24/4/15

Health & Social Care

- Implementation of the Social Services & Well-Being (Wales) Act 2014- Consultation on the code of practice in relation to measuring the performance of social services
24/4/15

Local Government

- Devolution, Democracy & Delivery White Paper, Reforming Local Government : Power to Local People
28/4/15