MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL 18th SEPTEMBER 2017

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Conwy County Borough Council

a) Forward Work Programme

The latest Forward Work Programme has been published http://modgoveng.conwy.gov.uk/mgListPlanItems.aspx?PlanId=597&LLL=0

2. Road Closures

- a) St Agnes Road, Junction of Sychnant Pass Road to Junction Mill Hill, Conwy 04/09/2017 to 29/09/2017 Gas works
- b) Esgyryn Road, Llandudno Junction, Bryn Tirion to Pabo Bach 18/9/17 8am to 5pm BT work
- c) Chapel Street, Conwy, junction of Bangor Road to junction of Berry Street 25/9/17, Welsh Water work
- d) High St, Lower Gate St & lower High St, Conwy 26/10/2017 to 29/10/2017, Conwy Feast

3. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

- a) Consultation on the proposed Autism (Wales) Bill http://www.assembly.wales/en/bus-home/bus-legislation/proposed_members_bills/Pages/pauldavies.aspx
- b) HR Policies & Procedures Avensure

9:30am to 12:30pm, 10/10/17, Ramada Plaza, Wrexham

HR policies & procedures often are not top of a business owner's priority list, but, when it can help to protect your business from risk, save you money & make your life easier as an employer, it really should be. Your expert presenter will cut through the jargon, giving you straightforward advice that will make a real, positive difference in how you run your business. We are sure that you, like our previous attendees, will take a wealth of information from the event & we promise that this will have a positive impact on your business.

What's on the agenda: recruit better staff; reduce sickness & absence; prevent employee misconduct; deal with poor performance; resolve long-term sickness disputes; prevent employment tribunal claims.

To book, please contact the Town Clerk

- c) WCVA Courses
- Making your applications stand out (webinar) 19/10/17 (Welsh), 14/11/17 (English)
 The webinar will help you plan & structure your applications to give you the best chance of success. In an increasingly competitive funding environment, the need to make your application stand out has never been more important. This interactive webinar will help you develop a well structured, compelling application, giving you the best possible chance of securing the funding you need
- Developing a fundraising strategy 5/12/17, Bangor (Welsh) This course will help you to develop a fundraising plan for your organisation by taking stock of where you are now, mapping out where you want to be & planning how you are going to get there. It will cover the elements of a fundraising planning framework & how these fit in with other strategic planning processes, including mission, vision & values & organisational objectives. The course will teach you how to carry out a fundraising audit using strategic planning tools such as PEST analysis, competitor analysis, collaboration analysis market analysis & internal analysis
- General

Our courses are fun, participative & take place in a relaxed learning environment, they can provide you & your organisation with the skills needed to provide an excellent service. We recognise that people learn in different ways; in our new training programme you will find a

variety of short courses, workshops, accredited learning, seminars & online learning opportunities. All of our training is led by experts in their field who are committed to the values of the third sector in Wales.

The right course but in the wrong language or location? If you see a course that interests you on this training programme or on the WCVA website but it is not being delivered in a location convenient for you or you would rather it be delivered in Welsh/English/bilingually, please get in touch with the WCVA. If you can find interest for the course in your area then they can come out to you & help you to promote it too.

We can come to you! All courses can be delivered to you in your own organisation & it often works out to be cheaper depending on numbers. Welsh & bilingual courses are also available. To view full course information, including prices & places available please contact 0800 288 8329 or training@wcva.org.uk or www.wcva.org.uk/training-and-events

4. Daily Post Business Awards 2017

Entries are now open for the Daily Post Business Awards 2017. Our awards once again will be a celebration of true excellence, & recognise the achievements & successes of companies in the area. We want to hear your success stories - perhaps you've secured some key contracts, developed new products, created more jobs or set a shining example for others to follow. The awards will culminate in a celebration awards ceremony & dinner in November at Bangor University where the winners will be revealed. The deadline for entries is 29/9/17

5. Welsh Government Vacancy – Senior Research Officer

The Welsh Government is currently advertising the following 4 vacancies. Please feel free to circulate far & wide to anyone you know who may be interested, partner organisations & ad-hoc newsletters to ensure as many interested individuals from all walks of life are made aware of this opportunity. Welsh Government is keen to receive applications from a diverse field of candidates. Senior Research Officer – Equalities, Senior Research Officer – Education – Schools, Senior Research Officer – Public Services, Senior Research Officer – EU Monitoring and Evaluation. Please access details via the following link: https://cymru-wales.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-2/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/6/opp/3655-Senior-Research-Officer-Equalities/en-GB Closing date: 22/09/17

6. What's stopping you becoming an AM

Ensuring that people from a variety of backgrounds, with different experiences, & from all parts of society, are represented is important to democracy. The Wales Governance Centre is seeking participants for a new project that looks at the barriers facing people when making the decision to stand for election to the National Assembly for Wales - whether they eventually stand or not. The centre wants to discover what influences encourage or deter people when making that decision. As well as people with prior experience of politics, the centre is keen to engage with people that have not undertaken a political role yet, for whatever reason. There are several opportunities to participate. Online Survey, you can complete a short survey through this link. https://cardiff.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/incentives-barriersnaw Focus Groups, Small focus groups will be held at the following locations. Participants will receive a small payment in appreciation of their time. You can register to attend by following this link. 20/9/17 Caernarfon (Galeri) 5:30-7:00 21/9/17 Wrexham (Glyndŵr University) 5:30-7:00. Online Focus Group. It will be possible to discuss issues further by joining our online focus group by following this link. Interviews You can take part in a face to face or phone interview by contacting the research team here. You can discover more on how to take part on the Wales Governance Centre website. You're welcome to contribute through the medium of English or Welsh. The Wales Governance Centre will be very grateful for your contribution and hope it will be an opportunity for you to contribute towards representation in the Assembly of the future. For more information please contact the research team through Dr Huw Pritchard: pritchardh3@cardiff.ac.uk

7. Betsi Cadwalader University Health Board

The Health Board would like to give local people more opportunities to talk about the health issues that concern local communities & to hear about 'living healthier, staying well' its strategy for improving your health & delivering well run, high quality services. Ways to Get Involved

The Get Involved website www.bcugetinvolved.wales is a great way to join in the conversation & find out more. There is information about volunteering opportunities, ways to 'have your say' & links to connect with other groups & organisations. Register for Get Involved & receive our regular newsletter, find out about consultations & surveys & receive news about events & activities. If you are not on the internet we can post you our regular newsletter. Local organisations who would like to find out more can get in touch with the Health Board's Engagement Team. There are three Engagement Officers covering the West, East & Central. Your Engagement Officer in Conwy & Denbighshire is Megan Vickery. Contact Megan by email megan.vickery@wales.nhs.uk or phone 01492 860066 x 2995.

8. Newsletters/Publications

a) National Development Framework for Wales

The August 2017 edition is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall.

b) CAIS Newsletter

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

c) CVSC Newsletter

The September 2017 edition is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

d) Clerks & Councils Direct

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9. Welsh Government Consultations

		Closing date
<u>En</u> -	vironment & Countryside Changes to fees for Statutory Plant Health Services	31/10/17
Health & Social Services		
-	Special Guardianship orders	27/11/17
-	Secure accommodation & placements of children out of area	27/11/17