

**MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL****20<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. Conwy County Borough Council**

## Meetings

- a) A special meeting of the Education and Skills Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been arranged on 04/10/2018 at 2pm in Bodlondeb. The item for consideration will be • Additional Learning Needs (ALN) Teaching Assistants provision in Conwy.
- b) Please note the time of the meeting of the Finance and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 01/10/2018 has changed from 10.00am to 9.30am.

**2. Events**

## a) Conwy County Borough Sports Awards

23 November 2018. The Sports Awards are designed to recognise and honour the talented sports people, sports clubs, coaches and volunteers in Conwy. Nominations are now invited for the following categories: Junior Sports Man/Woman, Junior/Senior Sports Team, Special Achievement Award, Senior Sports Man/Woman. Services to Sport, Sporting Event of the Year, Coach of the Year, Young Volunteer of the Year. To nominate: <http://www.conwy.gov.uk/en/Resident/Leisure-sport-and-health/Leisure-Development/Sports-Awards-2018.aspx> Closing date: 21/09/2018. We are now accepting nominations for the categories listed. I would be grateful if you could distribute through your local contacts, and encourage nominations from individuals, teams, coaches, and those who are the lynch pins to providing sporting opportunities within your communities.

## b) Motiv8 2018

Motiv8 invites you to SAVE THE DATE Thursday 20th September 2018 The Barn, Eirias Park Colwyn Bay 1pm – 6pm Come and join the fun The day is designed to raise awareness of the close links between doing activities and mental wellbeing. It is hoped to encourage people to think about healthy eating, physical activity and exercise as a way of promoting better physical health, raising self esteem and improving mental health. The day will include a variety of activities as well as opportunities to access information from local support agencies and participate in workshops. @Moitv8.northwestwales For more information contact [motiv8nww@gmail.com](mailto:motiv8nww@gmail.com) In order to make Motiv8 a success, we would very much appreciate you sharing the attached 'save the date' far and wide. We will be doing an official launch of the official bilingual Motiv8 poster next week so we will send it round and we would very much appreciate you to share it among your contacts, individuals and on social media pages. Motiv8 do have an official Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Motiv8.northwestwales/>) and event a) (<https://www.facebook.com/events/305471206694679/>) so please feel free to share far and wide to let people know.

**3. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences**

## WCVA Learning

Engaging with 21st century volunteers to make change happen. 24 October 2018, Rhyl for more information go to <https://www.wcva.org.uk/training-and-events/training-detail-page?courseId=3356>

**4. Funding**

## Meet the Funders Information Session, Ruthin

DVSC are holding a funders information session. Find out what grants and funds are available to support you and your organisation Come and hear from: Big Lottery, Landfill Disposals Tax Community Scheme, Arts Council of Wales, Welsh Churches Act, Gwynt Y Mor, Localgiving Wednesday 12th September 10am – 12pm Followed by a Local Giving training session 1pm – 2.30pm. Both session will be held at Naylor Leyland Centre Well Street Ruthin LL15 1AF

**5. A Welsh Government consultation on Petroleum Extraction Policy in Wales has been launched**

A Welsh Government consultation on Petroleum Extraction Policy in Wales has been launched. The consultation runs until the 25th of September and we want to know your views on our proposal. Following the Wales Act 2017 Welsh Ministers will take over responsibility for licensing onshore petroleum extraction from the UK Oil & Gas Authority (OGA) on the 1st October 2018. The new

petroleum licensing powers have provided an opportunity to consider what should be our approach to petroleum extraction in Wales, for now and future generations. <https://beta.gov.wales/petroleum-extraction-policy-wales> Fossil Fuel Policy – Petroleum Consultation, Division of Decarbonisation and Energy, Department for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs, Welsh Government Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ, [YmatebionYnni-EnergyResponses@gov.wales](mailto:YmatebionYnni-EnergyResponses@gov.wales), [YmatebionYnni-EnergyResponses@llyw.cymru](mailto:YmatebionYnni-EnergyResponses@llyw.cymru)

## **6. Creating Enterprise CIC and CVSC Funding Success**

The Big Lottery Fund Wales is today announcing the thirteen successful bids for a share of its six million pound fund designed to help families in poverty even though at least one adult working. With this fund, the Big Lottery Fund is piloting a new way of grant giving which enables organisations to spend time developing their project with the working families it is intended to support. Creating Enterprise CIC will work in partnership with Community and Voluntary Support Conwy, to enable families affected by in-work poverty in the communities of Llandudno, Peulwys Estate in Colwyn Bay, Mochdre and Rhos on Sea, to reduce the impact of poverty. The project will develop skills, offer activities, advice and services to improve employability, health and wellbeing. The £499,990 grant, over four years, will fund one full time project worker, and will include recruitment, engagement events, project delivery activities, volunteer expenses, marketing, translation, running costs, co-production facilitation, monitoring and evaluation.

## **7. Improve NHS Communication in Wales**

Patients in Wales are being asked for their views on the NHS, as part of a drive to develop better communication between healthcare professionals and those using the health service. The One Simple Thing campaign is being led by the Board of Community Health Councils on behalf of the 7 CHCs in Wales and is looking for patients from across Wales to give a simple suggestion for improving the way the NHS communicates. Concerns from people across Wales has prompted the campaign. Poor communication can increase the risk of potential harm from misunderstandings, lead to a lack of confidence on the part of patients and waste valuable NHS resources. Speaking about the issues surrounding communication in the NHS, Mark Thornton, Chair of the North Wales Community Health Council (NWCHC) said: 'Misunderstandings in patient and provider communications arise from many factors, but particularly from the use of jargon or complex medical terms, or when information is given at inappropriate times, for example when a patient is in pain, is tired or feeling unwell and unable to concentrate.' 'We also know that patients can find messages from health professionals providing their care to be ambiguous or unclear. Sensory issues or cultural, language and social issues can all also impact on communication in a health setting.'<sup>2</sup> Mr Thornton continued 'Poor communication and misunderstandings in any NHS care setting is unacceptable'. 'Whilst we hear some good examples where new ways of communicating are helping patients, the CHC movement continues to hear people's concerns about poor communication through the work of its independent advocacy service and in its continuous engagement with patients across Wales.' 'CHCs believe that the drive for better communication between patients and the NHS needs a reboot. We want to hear suggestions from patients based on their experience around communication in all its forms. Our aim is to hear from as many people as possible and we will be seeking out diverse and seldom heard people and communities.' The CHC survey is running throughout the summer. Suggestions will then be collated to form a report to be sent to the Welsh Government as well as NHS Local Health Boards and Trusts in Wales, asking them for their response and looking for their plans to improve communication. Responses can be completed via: Email, SMS (text) Smartphone App, Social Media – Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Postal Survey, Face to Face discussion, A dedicated Answerphone service.

## **8. Newsletters**

a) Independent review panel - August Newsletter - Outline Findings and Recommendations

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

b) CVSC Summer Magazine

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

c) Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Charity

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