

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
5th DECEMBER 2016
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Road Closure**a) High Street, Conwy**

15/12/2016 16.00 – 19.00 – Christmas Event

b) Consultation for a temporary traffic regulation: Maes Derw, Llandudno Junction

09/01/17 – 23/04/17

2. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences**a) World Heritage Site Management Plan 2016 - 26**

7/12/16 2pm – 5pm, Conwy Castle Visitor Centre. Come & discuss the *Castle and Town Walls of King Edward in Gwynedd World Heritage Site: Draft Management Plan 2016 - 26*

3. Events**a) Dick Whittington – CHAPS Panto**

1 & 2/12/16 at 7.30pm, 3 & 4/12/16 at 2.30pm, Memorial Hall, Llandudno Junction
 Phone 01492 584738. Tickets: £8 adults, £7 concessions, £6 children

b) RCA Christmas Session

Saturday 17/12/16 at 7.30pm: a night of eclectic music, with wine, craft beers and food in the RCA gallery. Tickets £10/£6.

4. Remembrance Sunday Feedback**a) Geoff Cartwright, Chairman, Conwy Borough FC**

Thanks have been received by the Town Council for its support of the Football Club, & for the donation sent in appreciation of help with stewarding the Remembrance Sunday event.

b) Cambria Band

Following the parade, the band played in the square. They had a great reception & a retired soldier commented on how good the parade was.

5. TAPE Community Music and Film: Trustee Vacancy

The charity is particularly keen to hear from people with a financial or legal background with an interest in taking on the position of treasurer. Closing date for Expressions of Interest 12/12/16; email: steve@tapemusicandfilm.co.uk

6. Planning Policy Wales Edition 9

The Welsh Government has published Edition 9 of Planning Policy Wales (PPW). Key changes to Edition 9 include revisions to Chapter 6 (The Historic Environment) & Chapter 10 (Retail and Commercial Development). Alongside PPW, a Summary of Changes document has been published which provides detail on the changes made to PPW from the previous version (Edition 8). To view the new Edition 9 & the corresponding Summary of Changes document on the Welsh Government webpage: <http://gov.wales/topics/planning/policy/?lang=en&>

Technical Advice Note 4: To complement the changes made to Chapter 10 of PPW, an updated Technical Advice Note (TAN) 4 on Retail and Commercial Development has also been published by the Welsh Government: <http://gov.wales/topics/planning/policy/tans/tan4/?lang=en&>

Chief Planning Officer Letter: the Chief Planning Officer letter in respect of these publications can be found on this Welsh Government webpage. The letter provides further details on the publication of an online Development Management Manual:

<http://gov.wales/topics/planning/policy/dear-cpo-letters/publication-of-planning-policy-wales-edition-9/?lang=en>

7. LDBCW Publication - Electoral Reviews: Policy and Practice

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales has published their updated *Electoral Reviews: Policy and Practice* document for the programme to review all 22 principal council areas in good time for the 2022 local government elections. Following the Written Statement made by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government on 23/06/16, the Commission have revised the Policy and Practice document in order to meet the obligations as set out in legislation. *Electoral Reviews: Policy and Practice* sets out the Commission's intended timetable for conducting the reviews of Wales' principle councils; its Council Size Policy; and, the policies and procedures that it would apply in the conduct of the reviews. Please visit the website to view the Policy and Practice document, which includes the Commissions' updated Council Size Policy, and our Programme of Electoral Reviews between 2017 and 2021.

<http://ldbc.gov.wales/reviews/electoralreviews/?lang=en>

8. Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) Bill

The Landfill Disposals Tax (Wales) Bill has been introduced into the National Assembly for Wales by the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government, Mark Drakeford AM. The Bill introduces a tax on disposals to landfill in Wales, landfill disposal tax, to replace landfill tax from April 2018. For further information on landfill disposals tax please visit:

<http://gov.wales/funding/fiscal-reform/welsh-taxes/landfill-disposals-tax/?lang=en>

Our factsheet is available at:

<http://gov.wales/docs/caecd/publications/161128-LDT-leaflet-en.pdf>

Please visit the [National Assembly for Wales' website](#) for further details about the timetable for the Bill and guidance on the legislative process. Also available on the [Assembly's website](#) are The Bill; & the supporting Explanatory Memorandum, including the regulatory impact assessment and explanatory notes.

9. Welsh Government Consultations

	Closing Date
<u>Education & Skills</u>	
- Support funding for students resident in Wales	14/02/17
<u>Health & Social Services</u>	
- Records Management Code of Practice for Health and Social Care 2016	09/02/17
<u>Environment & Countryside</u>	
- Draft supplementary charging guidance to Ofwat	16/01/17
- Reducing emissions from medium combustion plants and generators to improve air quality	08/02/17
<u>Welsh Language</u>	
- Welsh Language Standards (Water and Sewerage Undertakers) Regulations	17/02/17