

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
26th OCTOBER 2015
TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Conwy County Borough Council

a) Consultation: LDP34- Waste Storage & Collection in New Developments

I write to inform you that Conwy County Borough Council has produced the following Supplementary Planning Guidance document: LDP34- Waste Storage & Collection in New Developments. The provision of this advice is intended to ensure that the process of negotiating, agreeing & monitoring development results in fair & transparent information to all participants of the planning system, especially at pre-application stage. Once approved, SPGs will be taken into account as a material consideration when determining planning applications in the geographical area covered by the Conwy Local Development Plan. Copies of the documents can be inspected during normal office hours at Muriau Building, Rosehill Street, Conwy. The documents can also be viewed on the Conwy County Borough Council website www.conwy.gov.uk/spps/consultations. The consultation period started on Monday 21 September 2015 & closes at 16.45 on Friday 30 October 2015. Any comments should be made online at <http://conwy.jdl-consult.net/ldp> or by completing a comments form and returning it either via email to cdll.ldp@conwy.gov.uk or via post to the Strategic Planning Policy Services, Conwy County Borough Council, Muriau Building, Rosehill Street, LL32 8LD. All comments received will be considered by the Council before the final version is agreed. James Harland

b) Meetings

A Special Meeting of Council has been arranged for Wednesday, 25/11/15 at 4pm. The purpose of the meeting is to receive a presentation from the Colwyn Victoria Pier Trust on its Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) Bid.

2. Your Services Your Choices consultation

Public Consultation on the Fire & Rescue services provided in North Wales 2016-17 & beyond. This is an important consultation about the fire & rescue services that are provided in North Wales. We are committed to making North Wales a safer place to live, work & visit. Your views about the future of North Wales Fire & Rescue will help us to plan the sort of services that the public expects. The financial pressures on public services mean that difficult decisions are having to be made about how to continue to meet demand for services but with dwindling budgets. The consultation presents four key questions – what do you think? Or you may have another suggestion for providing affordable fire & rescue services in North Wales? We would like as many people as possible to participate by telling us what they would like to see happen to fire & rescue services in the area over the next few years. You can let us know what you think by completing our short survey – <http://goo.gl/ZStxgo>. Further information, as well as our contact details, is available from the Authority's website www.nwales-fireservice.org.uk. There is also a short video explaining the key questions and which is available to view here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EfbHChUiRrA>. We appreciate your time is valuable but it should only take a few minutes to complete the survey – responses will only be used by us to help shape the future objectives & all data collected will be treated confidentially. The deadline for completing the survey is 11th December 2015. The Authority will consider its future plans in light of the responses received before the deadline above & publish the final 2016-17 Improvement Plan on its website by 31st March 2016. On behalf of North Wales Fire & Rescue Authority, thank you for your time & we look forward to hearing from you. Councillor Meirick Lloyd Davies, Chair of North Wales Fire & Rescue Authority

3. Gwynt y Môr unveils first community fund awards

North Wales will soon be bubbling with community spirit thanks to the much awaited first round of awards from the Gwynt y Môr Offshore Wind Farm Community Fund. In a time of austerity, seven not-for-profit groups are set to receive up to £10,000 each, from funding

directly linked to the operation of the second largest wind farm in the world. In Conwy, the funding award will mean the creation of a part time Carer Support Officer to work with some of the 900 carers in the area. Other awards include supporting individuals wanting to get back to work & programmes to support the uptake of Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) subjects. The fund also focuses on reducing poverty & inequality in the area. As the colder months approach, the fund will support homeless people in the Llandudno area through Hope Restored. The scale of the funding available from the Gwynt y Môr Fund is a real opportunity to make a significant positive impact on the sustainable development of the area and is a genuine force for good. The fund is independently managed by Community & Voluntary Support Conwy (CVSC). An independent advisory panel is in place, comprising of community representatives from Conwy, Denbighshire and Flintshire as well as independent experts. The panel meets on a quarterly basis to assess applications. There is no deadline for applications. Further information about the Gwynt y Môr Community Fund can be found by going to www.gwyntymorfund.cymru or on twitter @gwyntymorcf. Alternatively groups are welcome to contact CVSC on 01492 534091.

4. Retrospective Claims for Continuing NHS Healthcare

Continuing NHS Healthcare (CHC) is a package of services for those people whose health needs are of such a nature, complexity, intensity & unpredictability that they need to be arranged & funded solely by the NHS. You may be able to submit a claim if you think that you or someone you care for may have been eligible for CHC but paid for all, or part, of their care. If you believe that you or someone you care for may have been eligible for any period between 1/8/13 & 30/9/14, you have until 31 October 2015 to register your intent to claim. Please note that there is no requirement to appoint a solicitor or Claims Agency to submit the claim on your behalf. For further information, please visit the Welsh Government website or contact your local health board www.gov.wales/topics/health/nhswales/healthservice/chc-framework/?lang=en

5. Halloween No Trick or Treat Posters

The Halloween trick or treat posters are available from the Guildhall

6. Road Closure

a) Narrow Lane, Llandudno Junction

28/10/2015 to 30/10/2015 - Carriageway Work

b) Whole Street, Fairy Glen Road, Dwygyfylchi

30/10/2015 to 01/11/2015 - Electric Work

c) Bangor Road & Church Street, Conwy

8/11/15 11am-11.30am – Remembrance Sunday Parade

7. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

a) North Wales Holocaust Memorial Day Workshop

The North Wales Holocaust Memorial Day workshop has been finalised & is taking place on 5/11/15 1-4pm at Porth Eirias, The Promenade, Colwyn Bay, LL29 8HH. The format for the day will include an opportunity to touch on what happened in Wales for 2015, information about the theme for 2016 & the free resources that will be available. The workshop provides an ideal opportunity to allocate time to planning an activity, meet people who have either held an activity in previous years or have never held an activity & are approaching it with a fresh perspective. If you would like to book onto the workshop please follow this link below: <http://hmd.org.uk/page/workshops>

b) WCVA Training

i) Training skills, 23-24 February and 23 March, Rhyl (delivered in Welsh) Get the knowledge, skills & confidence to plan, prepare & deliver training sessions with this three day accredited course. One of our most popular courses, Training Skills gives you an overview of learning theory, provides practical planning tools for designing & evaluating training, & helps prepare you for delivering your training.

ii) Managing projects 18-19 November, Rhyl

Our two day course takes you through a range of project management principles & practical tools, & focuses on techniques to develop your skills for setting up, running & managing a project.

c) CVSC Training "Being a Trustee" 12th November 2015

Come along to this friendly & informal session & join us for a cuppa & refreshments from 1.30pm for a 2pm start until 4.30pm on 12/11/15. By the end of this session you will: Understand what it means to be a trustee, who can be one & what roles & responsibilities trustees may have. Appreciate what trustees can be liable for, & know how to limit potential risks. Understand the principles of good governance, the roles of specific officers, & the difference between a trustee board & its subcommittees. Have an overview of what is needed for effective trustee recruitment & induction.

8. Events

a) Halloween Fayre

At The Royal British Legion Conwy, Saturday October 31st 2pm – 6pm free entry. All proceeds help towards Turtle Trax Conservation Project

b) Empowering Youth Foundation - Masquerade Part

Children's charity Empowering Youth Foundation are holding their annual Masquerade Party at Stanley Palace Chester on 30/10/15 at 7:30pm. On arrival guests can enjoy a glass of bubbly & delicious buffet, followed by live music & spooky entertainment throughout the night. A prize will be given out for best mask so it's dress to impress! Tickets are £20 per person & are available to buy from Molly Whelan on 07591 976207 or molly@empoweringyouthfoundation.org.uk All funds raised will go towards their life skills programmes helping young people realise their potential & face their future with confidence. Last year's event was a great success & this year looks set to be even better. Set in one of the most haunted buildings in the North West their Masquerade Party is guaranteed to be a hauntingly good night. For more information please visit www.empoweringyouthfoundation.org.uk

9. Newsletters

RFCA for Wales

October Newsletter is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

10. Welsh Government Consultations

Closing Date

Environment & Countryside

- Proposed New Management Measures for the Scallop Fishery in Cardigan Bay
5/1/16

Health & Social Care

- Draft guidelines for local authority counselling services and Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAHMS) on collaborative working
11/12/15

Improving Public Services

- Alternative delivery models in public service delivery: an action plan for consultation
13/1/16

Local Government

- Technical consultation on the council tax (exceptions from higher amount) (Wales) regulations 2015
13/11/15