

MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**29th September 2014****TOWN CLERK'S REPORT****1. The Police & Crime Commissioner Community Awards**

The North Wales Police & Crime Commissioner will be hosting a Community Awards evening on 23/10/14. The overriding intention of the Commissioner in hosting these awards is to recognise & acknowledge the efforts of individuals, groups & organisations who work tirelessly for the good of others to keep people & communities safe, prevent crime & support victims. We have publicised details of one of the awards known as the People's Award. The link to the relevant website is <http://www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk/en/News/News/2014/The-Police-and-Crime-Commissioners-Community-Awards.aspx> Please circulate the link as widely as you can amongst your contacts.

Although the remaining awards are for determination by the Commissioner, there are 3 categories of award that we would appreciate input from you.

- Reducing Harm Award - this award is for an individual, community group or organisation who have made efforts to prevent & tackle serious crime &/or provide support to victims of serious crime. (serious crime includes issues such as domestic abuse, drug crime, violent crime, organised or gang related crime etc).
- Third Sector Award - this is an award for a local community or voluntary group who have contributed towards personal safety & crime reduction or who have made a significant impact in helping victims of crime.
- Welsh Language Service Award - group award for an organisation who, through the medium of Welsh, provide comprehensive victim services &/or other community services that help to reduce crime.

If you have any recommendations in mind for winners of the above 3 awards please complete the form & provide us with some details about who they are & what factors have led you to make this nomination. The Commissioner's Office will then review & investigate the recommendations in order to establish winners in each category.

2. Could You be an Independent Member of a Police Misconduct Hearing?

Winston Roddick CB QC, Police & Crime Commissioner North Wales, is looking for members of the public to sit on police misconduct hearings as independent members. The appointment of independent members to sit on hearings is to reassure the community that police misconduct matters are treated seriously & independently adjudicated. Candidates must be at least 18 years of age, have an understanding of the need of high standards of conduct in the police service & commitment to fairness & equality. The qualities sought include strong analytical & communication skills, self confidence & the ability to take a balanced, open minded & objective approach to issues presented. Independent members must be able to constructively challenge the accepted view of any Senior Police Officers on the panel in a constructive but non-confrontational manner to make fair & evidence based judgements about an officer's conduct & agree an appropriate course of action or disposal. For more information contact the Commissioner's Office on 01492 805486, email OPCC@nthwales.pnn.gov.uk or visit www.northwales-pcc.gov.uk Closing date 12 noon 2/10/14

3. Support for Businesses in Your Community

The Welsh Government is committed to providing access to high quality information & support for people starting or growing businesses in Wales. By working with organisations like yours which have a close relationship with their local business community, we hope to be able to ensure that everyone gets the most out of the online business support available through www.business.wales.gov.uk, such as finance support, start-up support, marketing support. During September 2014, we are running a campaign that will involve local community groups, charities & local businesses. The

theme is “being a responsible business” & it will coincide with the launch of our new online zone: <http://www.business.wales.gov.uk/zones/responsible-business> A key aspect of being a responsible business is ‘supporting the community’, & we’re looking at promoting local businesses who are doing their bit. Eg., we are aware that since the 5p single-use carrier bag charge was introduced, lots of businesses have been passing the proceeds on to charities or good causes in Wales. We are looking to highlight these good news stories (<http://business.wales.gov.uk/case-studies>), which we’ll promote on our website, through our social media channels (Facebook, Twitter etc.) & our e-newsletter. Please help us spread the word to your members & businesses. We look forward to working with you to promote Business Wales services & help serve your local community & businesses. Any questions? Email us on business.wales@wales.gsi.gov.uk, or call our Helpline on 03000 6 03000.

4. Mental Health Community Advocacy and Service user & Carer Involvement Services

Dear Colleagues, On behalf of the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, please find below information on Mental Health Community Advocacy and Service User and Carer Involvement Service. "I am writing to confirm that the contracts for Mental Health Community Advocacy and Service User and Carer Involvement Services have now been advertised on Sell 2 Wales.*** Menter a Busnes will also be providing a Pre-tender Support (Pre-Qualification Questionnaire) Procurement Workshop on Friday, 3rd October at the Optic Centre. Full details, including registration information, will be on Business Wales website, www.wales.business-events.org.uk or by phoning 03000 603000, after 26th September. Regards, Jane Jones"

5. Communities 1st Sports Recycling Project

On behalf of Communities First, please find information below on their Sport Recycling Project "Lucozade Kit Out project codes for Communities First project. Please see message from Vi-Ability & get it touch with them for more information: DEAR VI-ABILITY SUPPORTERS, As you are aware we have recently launched an exciting & innovative ‘Reinvesting in Sports, Communities & individuals’ project, that will aim to reduce the difficulties & hardship that people within the Communities’ First areas of Conwy borough face when trying to afford: equipment; clothing; travel & membership fees; so they can engage in a variety of sports / exercise based activities on a regular basis & make a positive difference to their lives. As part of this project (ran in partnership with Rhyl City Strategy, Communities First Conwy Cluster, Rhyl City Strategy, & Hockey Wales) one of the things we will do is create a bursary pot of equipment, clothing, travel tickets & membership fees that residents can access. We have recently be made aware that Lucozade Sport have launched a ‘Kit Out’ project, whereby you can collect codes from the inside of sport bottles & cash them in for items of clothing and equipment. We feel this represents an excellent opportunity to build the pot potentially up – and really don’t want to miss out! We would be extremely grateful if you could therefore support us in gathering as many codes as possible – & encourage you to get all your friends & family involved! It will make a real difference to many people’s lives. So start now, as there is no time to delay!! What to do with your codes – we would be really grateful if you could send an email containing a list of all the codes you have collected to Bob@vi-ability.org by Friday 31st October – so they can be registered to our account. Alternatively, you can follow us on [@SportsRecycling](https://twitter.com/SportsRecycling) – & direct message us your code every time you get one. Thanks in Advance for your support. Kind regards, Kelly Davies Managing Director"

6. The Welsh N Gauge Model Railway Show

The Town Council was generous enough to support our model railway exhibition to the tune of £500.00 & I feel it is only right to report back to the Council on the event. It was, without a shadow of a doubt, a tremendous success. This year we expanded to two halls in the town &, coupled with an intensive media campaign which covered the UK, we

enjoyed an increase in visitors to our show & Conwy. I enclose a report which covers the day in more detail & I trust that you will find it to be enjoyable reading. Our plans for the 2015 show will include the AGM of the national N Gauge Society & we are already putting into place a weekend of events to attract delegates to stay over the weekend rather than make a quick one day dash to the show & AGM. To that end we have already booked the Guildhall for a pre-AGM Reception & are talking to Arriva Trains to arrange a special trip up the Conwy Valley & onward, via the Ffestiniog Railway, to Porthmadog. I will send further details on the whole weekend closer to the day. The success of the Exhibition would not have been possible without the backing of the Town Council & I would ask that you pass the thanks of myself, & the members of the North Wales Area Group of the N Gauge Society, to all members of the Council. Yours sincerely, John Lewis, Chairman. A full report of the event can be found on the Chamber table in the Guildhall.

7. Conwy Honey Fair, post event report

Conwy Honey Fair, Saturday 13th September 2014, post event report

The 2014 Conwy Honey Fair attracted about 80 stalls. The High Street was packed with visitors from 9.30am. This year's Fair was the 25th Honey Fair organized by us. Expenses 1.Event Insurance policy from Doodson Insurance £212. 2.North Wales Events Group, membership subscription £30. The annual subscription is £60, split between the Seed Fair & Honey Fair. Membership allows us to arrange insurance at a reduced rate. 3. One "Road closed on 13th September" sign from JT & M Signs £38. 4.Printing posters and flyers etc.£50. 5.Postage for 100 posters £60 Total = £390 Receipts Donation from Conwy Town Council £390, paid to Conwy Beekeepers, and received with thanks.

Collection from stallholders and visitors £900, in aid of the charity Bees for Development. www.beesfordevelopment.org This donation will be match funded by the Size of Wales Project, to produce £1800 towards the Honey Bees Cameroon project. See http://www.sizeofwales.org.uk/projects/honey_bees.html. Road closure, 9am to 4pm Conwy County Borough Council provided: Road Closure Order for High Street, Crown Lane & Llewelyn Street. Road Closed signs and barriers. The High Street barrier was manned all day by our own members. No problems reported to us. Castle Hotel No comments received to date. Stalls About 80 stalls, including 30 honey stalls. Plenty of local honey for sale, thanks to the fine summer. We receive many more applications for stalls than we can accommodate, & we can afford to be quite selective now. Feedback Visitors always say that they love the traffic-free High Street & the friendly atmosphere in Conwy. Many said they were visiting Conwy for the first time. Looking ahead. The Honey Fair continues to grow in popularity, while still retaining the traditional purpose of buying and selling honey. It is a unique event, and it raises public awareness of bees & beekeeping. It attracts very large number of visitors. It is up to the town traders & attractions to bring those visitors back to Conwy again & again, throughout the year. Conwy Chamber of Trade helped make the Honey Fair a success. We work well together & we are grateful for their support. 2015 Fairs Seed Fair, Thursday 26th March. Honey Fair, Monday 14th September. Many thanks to everybody who supported the Honey Fair. Please note that we have changed from Conwy Beekeepers' Association to Conwy Beekeepers Ltd. We were an unincorporated body. We are now a Company Limited by Guarantee. Peter McFadden Secretary, Conwy Beekeepers Ltd, organizers of Conwy Seed Fair and Conwy Honey Fair.

8. Facing the Future 2 event

Dear all This event is open to all four convergence areas of Conwy/Denbighshire/Gwynedd and Ynys Mon. The original event focussed on adult services but as this is more of a training event it is open wider to any third sector organisation delivering or looking to deliver public services. I would like to invite you to the Facing the Future - Building Skills and Knowledge Event 26 September 2014. This is a follow up to our first event - Facing the Future - held on 30th April with the aim to

address the problems placed on public services in the current economic climate & with budgets being cut dramatically across North Wales. The event focussed on adult services in the health & social care field. It looked at solutions of how to deliver 'more with less' with a strong emphasis on using social value as the vehicle to provide better outcomes & impact by collaborative working, joint commissioning & embracing innovation. This second day aims to bring together experts in the field to provide taster sessions based on the training needs analysis carried out in at the first event. Therefore to reflect this, there are nine sessions running & delegates will have the opportunity to attend three from the following: •Social enterprises •Co-production •Consortia •Governance •Social value •Public engagement •Community development •Tender readiness •Policy. Please see attached for full agenda & workshop briefs & indicate your first and second choice for each workshop; we will endeavour to ensure delegates are placed in their preferred option. All bookings via sabinadunkling@cvsc.org.uk using the attached booking form. This event is free to attend. **Sabina Dunkling Making the Connections- Project development officer CVSC** 8 Rivières Avenue, Colwyn Bay, LL29 7DP
Sabinadunkling@cvsc.org.uk 01492 523845

9. Road Closures

- a) **Junction Waun Road to Junction of Pen y Bryn Road, Gilfach Road, Bryn Pydw**
24/11/14 to 25/11/14, 8:30am to 5pm for electric work
- b) **At the Railway bridge, Rosemary Lane, Conwy**
4/10/14 to 6/10/14, bridge work
- c) **Conwy Food Feast**
23/10/14 to 26/10/14, Lancaster Square, High Street, & Lower Gate Street. Access only, Crown Lane, Llywelyn Street & York Road. Special event
- d) **Junction of Plas Tirion Rd to Entrance of Plas Newydd, Pen Y Cae Road, Henrydd**
1/10/14 to 3/10/14, Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water work
- e) **Junction of Youth Hostel, access to junction of Cadnant Park, Sychnant Pass Road, Conwy** 5/10/14, Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water work

10. Funding

CVSC Funding News

The latest edition can be found at <http://cvsc.org.uk/funding-news/>

11. Courses/Workshops/Training/Conferences

- a) **Institute of Fundraising Wales – Third Sector Funding Conference 2014**
2/10/14, Venue Cymru, Llandudno
The third sector is continually asked to do more & more, but we're asked to do this with less & less funding – & there's a lot of competition for the money that is available. That's where the Wales third sector funding conference comes in. We'll be looking at how we can help your group make a better ask for funding, whether you're raising funds from trusts, businesses, Big Lottery Fund, Europe or are simply trying to find a way to increase donations from your supporters. We'll be hearing from Michael Norton OBE, a 'serial social entrepreneur' on innovations in fundraising, Paul Streets of the Lloyds Bank Foundation will examine the challenges faced by the groups they fund & Simi Epstein of Hope House Children's Hospice will show how they refocused their fundraising efforts to 'make a better' ask. And there's a selection of 22 workshops covering digital fundraising, making a better ask to Big Lottery Fund, crowdfunding, asking businesses for support, joint working, measuring & communicating impact. And much more besides. If you're not confident when approaching potential funders, this is where you can learn to make your ask stand out. For more information visit
http://www.wcva.org.uk/media/1273828/eng_prog_and_form.pdf
- b) **Volunteers in Play**
24/10/14, 9:30am to 2:30pm, Venue to be confirmed, Free

Volunteers in Play is an introduction to play & playwork that is suitable for volunteers, those thinking of volunteering, employees & even parents working with children & young people from 4 to 16 years. This course provides inspiration & ideas for supporting freely chosen play in a range of play settings. The course is run over 1 day & is endorsed by Skills Active (worth 5 CPD points). It is aimed primarily at those living or working in communities first areas, however there are also some spaces available for those who don't. For more information or to book call Millie from the CVSC's Play Development Team on 01492 523857

c) Veteran Awareness Training

20/10/14 sessions are at 9.30am, 11.00am & 1pm at Ty Hapus Community Centre, Ffrodd Penrhyn, Llandudno, LL30 1HB

Short training sessions with the Royal British Legion & representatives form the covenant team Aims of the training are to raise awareness of: What is a veteran?, Numbers of Veterans in Wales, Issues faced by veterans & specific needs, Services available for Veterans, The Armed Forces Community Covenant & how it works in Conwy, The Covenant website & information booklet, Contact Sabina Dunkling to book your place : Sabinadunkling@cvsc.org.uk

d) One Voice Wales Training

1/10/14 One Voice Wales Trainings – Caernarfon, Module : 12 – Community Planning Venue: The Institute, Pavillion Hill, Caernarfon, LL55 1AT Language: Welsh A brief description of the session is as follows: To provide Councils with the knowledge & skills to create community plans & better understand strategy & forward budgeting. Time: 6.30-9.00pm Costs: Members: £30.00 Non-Members: £40.00 You will be invoiced after the training has taken place. Councillor Bursary available from One Voice Wales - Request upon booking Clerk Bursary available from S.L.C.C. If you or your councillors are interested in attending the training, please email: wendi.huggett@onevoicewales.org.uk URGENTLY with the name, email address & telephone number of each person wishing to attend. Wendi Huggett Administration Officer, One Voice Wales, 24c College Street, Ammanford Carmarthenshire, SA18 3AF Tel/Ffon 01269 595400 Fax/Ffacs 01269 598510 Website: www.onevoicewales.org.uk/wwwunllaiscymru.org.uk .The voice of Community and Town Councils in Wales

e) Free Outdoor Activity Sessions

During autumn 2014 I will be providing a number of free activity sessions in partnership with Isle of Anglesey County Council as part of the Ymweld a Môn project (please see attached flyer). These sessions are available to local groups, clubs & organisations, educational establishments, local residents & visitors to Anglesey. There is a range of activities available but all sessions are based around either walking or cycling. For example a session might consist of: Orienteering with bush craft skills, A local walk with a climb or abseil included, Mountain biking skills with cycle maintenance training.

These are just example sessions & the programme is flexible and open to all ages & abilities. Location, session content & date & time of delivery can be flexible according to participants & demand. Qualified staff runs all sessions, any necessary equipment is provided and remember, they are all free of charge. If you would like to book a session, discuss the project or further information please contact me. Please note that the sessions will be filled on a first come first served basis so please book early. Contact details: rbp.outdoor@gmail.com or 07983 675568 I look forward to discussing the project. Best Regards, Roger B Pierce (Roger Pierce Outdoor).

f) Skills of Chairing a Meeting & Skills for Minute Taking

Wednesday 1 October, Skills of Chairing a Meeting 9.30am for 10 – 12, Skills for minute taking 1.30 for 2 - 4pm CVSC Offices, Colwyn Bay, LL29 7DP

Informal and introductory sessions on how to get the most out of your meetings! A must for timely & productive meetings! Join Elizabeth Squires, an experienced Peer Mentor with B2C project to improve everyone's experience & learn top tips for

success. Please contact CVSC on 01492 534091 or e-mail mail@cvsc.org.uk to book your place, remembering to let us know of any specific requirements you may have. Light refreshments provided, but not lunch. It is possible to attend either or both sessions. Costs: £10 each for CVSC Members, £15 wider Voluntary Sector, £20 Private and Statutory

g) North Wales LTP Workshop

You are invited to a workshop to assist in the development of the Local Transport Plan for North Wales. This will cover the local authorities of Anglesey, Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd and Wrexham and is being prepared jointly & being overseen by Gwynedd Council. This is a light touch refresh of the Taith Regional Transport Plan published 2009 to reflect the Welsh Governments programme for Government objectives:-•Support economic growth & safeguard jobs across Wales, but with a particular focus on the City Regions, Enterprise Zones and Local Growth Zones. •Reduce economic inactivity by delivering safe & affordable access to employment sites across Wales•Maximise the contribution that effective & affordable transport services can make to tackling poverty and target investment to support improvements in accessibility for the most disadvantaged communities. •Encourage safer, healthier & sustainable travel. The document is required to be submitted to Welsh Government by the 31st January 2015 to form the basis for the allocation of Local Transport Fund money. It is for capital expenditure only & is to support those transport projects that fall within a local authority's remit. We would like your inputs to ensure that the LTP properly reflects the issues & opportunities of North Wales; there is stakeholder agreement on what we want to achieve & also to collectively determine what priorities stakeholders have for transport investment through LTF. The Public Consultation for this document is 24th November 2014 to 6th January 2015 & will be available on each Local Authority Web site. If you are able to join us between 1:30 and 4:00pm on the 13th October at the Conwy Business Centre, Llandudno Junction please provide your details. I apologise for the short notice as we are constrained by the new guidance timeline. Regards, Ann Elias BSc(Hons) Dip TP, MRTPI, Mid and North Wales Local Transport Plan Officer, Tel: 01970 633539 Mobile : 07779318607
Ann.elias@ceredigion.gov.uk

12. Events

a) Historic Towns Forum

- i) Retail, Tourism & the Local Economy – Understanding, implementing & promoting the links & benefits – 15/10/14, Poulton-on-Fylde, Lancashire
- ii) Annual Conference – Urban Expansion & Growth in Historic Towns – accommodating the inevitable? Models for positive change – 25/11/14, Chester
- iii) Historic Built Environment Seminars – The New Town Agenda – Masterplanning for new towns, garden cities & urban extensions in the historic environment – theory, practice & examples – 14/10/14, Oxford

For more information visit www.historictownsforum.org

b) Pencyhnant Nature Conservation Centre

An Evening of Music & Poetry

With classical guitarist Jonathan Richards & poetry by Deborah Baker, 4/10/14, 7:30pm, £6. www.pencyhnant.co.uk

c) Moelwyn Welsh Male Voice Choir

Concert Côr Y Moelwyn, Capel Coffa Chapel, Broad Street, Llandudno Junction, 14/10/14, 7.30pm, £5

d) Conwy District Citizens Advice Bureau 75th Anniversary

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of CAB they are holding a 1930's-1940's Dinner Dance, to raise money for Wales Air Ambulance 21/11/14, 7.30pm at St George's Hotel, Llandudno. Tickets are available from Conwy District CAB at a cost of £25 per

head, which includes a 3 course meal and entertainment by Llandudno Swing Band. £5 per head deposit required with your rsvp. For more information please email projects@conwy.cabnet.org.uk or telephone 01492 869126

e) Conwy Orchard Group- Harvest Dates

The scheduled dates for the organised harvesting of fruit are 5/10/14, from 2pm and 18/10/14 from 2pm.

If there is severe weather forecast closer to the times please contact Mark Watson-Jones to see if it is going ahead MarkWatson-Jones@nmwtra.org.uk Tel: 07780 609912

f) Daily Post Business Awards

The Daily Post & executive sponsors Bangor University, would like to invite your business to enter the Daily Post Business Awards 2014. Some of the biggest names in business across North Wales have been recognised through the awards, which are the most high profile & prestigious in the region. Our awards are open to any company that is based within North Wales & represents a celebration of true excellence, as we recognise the achievements & successes of businesses in the area. It costs nothing to enter, simply decide which category is most applicable to your business, complete the entry form & return it to us by the deadline of Friday 10th October, Winners will be revealed at a celebratory awards ceremony & black tie dinner at Bangor University on Thursday, November 27, 2014. An event which is sure to be the highlight of the business social calendar.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact our events department Call: 01492 574472 Email: events@dailypost.co.uk Website:

www.dailypostbusinessawards.co.uk

g) Ysgol Aberconwy Pupil Awards Ceremony

Ysgol Aberconwy are inviting you to the Annual Awards Ceremony at Ysgol Aberconwy 9/10/14, 7pm. At this ceremony pupils will be presented with awards to celebrate their efforts & achievements during the last academic year. Light refreshments will be available following the presentations.

info@aberconwy.conwy.sch.uk

h) CVSC Venue Cymru Offer - "NOT ABOUT HEROES"

Dear all, The producer of "Not About Heroes" are offering all staff and volunteers of CVSC the chance to see their production here at Venue Cymru for the reduced price of £8.50 a ticket. The dates which this offer is valid is Thursday 25 and Friday 26 September at 7.30pm. Tickets are available at the box office & I have attached some info about the show. The offer is subject to availability & also subject to a transaction fee (no fee if any of your members are premier card members) To book, you just need to call the box office on 01492 872000 & quote CVSC offer, or pop in to Venue Cymru or Theatr Colwyn Box Offices.

i) North Wales Recovery Walk - Recovery Month

Recovery Walk Sunday 28th September 2014 Colwyn Bay to Little Orme & back (estimated distance 6 Miles) 1st Start – Colwyn Bay 1.45pm (outside Train station) Raise the Purple Flag at the peak of the Little Orme. Then back to Colwyn Bay 2nd Start Assemble at Llandudno Pier 3.00pm (to Colwyn Bay – 5 miles walk) 3rd Start Rhos on Sea to Colwyn Bay Pier 5.15pm (1 mile) For more information, please contact Tony Ormond in North Wales on 01978 312556 or 07823882757

j) Conwy Food Feast

2014 Conwy Food Feast 23/10/14 to 26/10/14

k) NEA Community Action Awards 2015-16

Community Action Awards 2014-16 Tackling fuel poverty together in local communities Apply for phase 1 before 3 October 2014

Are you involved in an exciting, innovative project to tackle fuel poverty in your local community? The Community Action Awards will recognise best practice amongst those who are working to tackle fuel poverty and improve energy efficiency in their local communities. Supported by the Department of Energy and Climate Change &

British Gas, the scheme will run from 2014-16 with a total of 25 awards made to community groups, third sector organisations, health agencies, local authorities & other public & not-for-profit organisations in England & Wales that demonstrate innovative approaches to tackling fuel poverty. Winners will receive £1,500 to develop or enhance their project; a free place at the NEA Annual Conference; & practical & financial support to hold a community celebration event. The published deadlines are: Phase 1 - 3 October 2014, Phase 2 - 7 January 2015, Phase 3 - 17 April 2015, Phase 4 – 2 October 2015, Phase 5 – 8 January 2016 For further informatin and to apply go to www.nea.org.uk/communityactionawards or contact Nina Dunlavy on 0191 269 2935

13. Newsletters

Business Wales

The September 2014 newsletter is available on the Chamber table in the Guildhall

14. Welsh Government Consultations

Environment & Countryside

Nature Recovery Plan for Wales

Closing Date 3/12/14

Health & Social Care

Smoke-free private vehicles carrying children

Closing Date 24/10/14

Inappropriate admissions guidance

Closing Date 5/12/14

Housing & Regeneration

Draft guidance on housing association board member remuneration

Closing Date 8/12/14