

To: Members of the Partnerships
Scrutiny Committee

Date: 13 March 2015

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** to be held at **9.30 am** on **THURSDAY, 19 MARCH 2015** in **CONFERENCE ROOM 1A, COUNTY HALL, RUTHIN.**

Yours sincerely

G. Williams
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Pages 3 - 4)

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.

3 URGENT MATTERS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To receive the minutes of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee meeting held on the 18th December, 2014 (copy enclosed)

9.30am – 9.35am

5 CO-ORDINATION OF COMMUNITY FUNDING STREAMS (Pages 5 - 12)

To consider a report by the Team Leader Economic and Business Development South (copy enclosed) which outlines the current position with European Union (EU) and other funds currently available for Community benefit.

9.35 a.m. to 10.10 a.m.

Comfort Break

6 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 13 - 38)

To consider a report by the Scrutiny Coordinator (copy enclosed) seeking a review of the committee's forward work programme and updating members on relevant issues.

10.55 a.m. – 11.05 a.m.

7 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

To receive any updates from Committee representatives on various Council Boards and Groups

11.05 a.m. – 11.15 a.m.

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Councillor Jeanette Chamberlain-Jones (Chair)

Councillor Raymond Bartley (Vice-Chair)

Joan Butterfield
Ann Davies
Meirick Davies
Richard Davies

Pat Jones
Dewi Owens
Merfyn Parry
Bill Tasker

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Code of Conduct for Members

DISCLOSURE AND REGISTRATION OF INTERESTS

I, *(name)*

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Denbighshire County Council

CONFIRM that I have declared a ***personal / personal and prejudicial** interest not previously declared in accordance with the provisions of Part III of the Council's Code of Conduct for Members, in respect of the following:-

*(*please delete as appropriate)*

Date of Disclosure:

Committee *(please specify)*:

Agenda Item No.

Subject Matter:

Nature of Interest:

*(See the note below)**

Signed

Date

*Note: Please provide sufficient detail e.g. 'I am the owner of land adjacent to the application for planning permission made by Mr Jones', or 'My husband / wife is an employee of the company which has made an application for financial assistance'.

PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Partnerships Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 18 December 2014 at 9.30 am at Conference Room 1A, County Hall, Ruthin

Present

Councillors Raymond Bartley (Vice-Chair), Jeanette Chamberlain-Jones (Chair), Meirick Davies, Richard Davies, Pat Jones, Dewi Owens, Merfyn Parry and Bill Tasker

Also Present

Director of Social Services (NS), Head of Highways and Environmental Services (SP), Team Leader Economic & Business Development (JD), Countryside and Heritage Services Manager (HR), Heritage Commercial Manager (SW), Specialist Services Manager (AP), POVA Coordinator (NT).

Councillors Eryl Williams (Deputy Leader) and Councillor Huw Ll Jones (Lead Member for Leisure, Youth, Tourism and Rural Development) attended for items 6 and 8.

Councillor Bobby Feeley, Lead Member for Social Care Adult and Children's Services attended for item 5

Councillor Gwyneth Kensler attended as an observer.

Lowri Owain and Gareth Evans Cadwyn Clwyd representatives for business item 6.

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Ann Davies and Mararet McCarroll.

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillors Meirick Lloyd-Davies and Merfyn Parry declared a personal interest in item 6 as a members of the board of the Rural Development Plan and Councillor Lloyd-Davies declared a personal interest in item 9 as a member of the 'Friends of Bodelwyddan Castle'.

3 URGENT MATTERS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

There were no urgent matters however the Chair, with the Committee's agreement varied the order of business on the agenda taking the item on the Annual Report on Adult Protection in Denbighshire – 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 before the item on the Rural Development Plan Partnership.

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of a meeting of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday 6th November, 2014 were submitted.

Matters Arising

Councillor Merfyn Parry referred to page 12 of the minutes relating to Hygiene and Infection Control where non-compliance with the uniform wearing policy should be addressed. He raised concerns regarding maintenance contractors at Ysbyty Glan Clwyd who did not appear to be subject to the same hygiene control as care workers. An enquiry regarding those concerns had been forwarded to the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (BCUHB). No response had been received to date..

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 18th December, 2014, be received and approved as a correct record.

5 RURAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PARTNERSHIP

The Deputy Leader introduced the report (previously circulated) and explained the current Rural Development Plan (RDP) 2007 - 2013, which had been extended and would now cease on 31 December 2014, had drawn in circa £4.8m into the rural areas of Denbighshire and Flintshire - £1.5m of which had been for Axis 3 projects aimed at improving the quality of life in rural areas and to encourage diversification.

The current RDP had involved close working between Denbighshire and Flintshire county councils via the Local Action Group (LAG) Cadwyn Clwyd, the proposed RDP for 2014 - 2020 would be a tripartite working relationship involving Wrexham County Borough Council as well.

Previously the Dyserth area had not been included in the RDP Plan but successful representations meant it would be included in the 2014-2020 Plan.

A map of the County illustrating the distribution of monies (and the project list) under the RDP was circulated at the meeting. It showed a fairly even distribution of the funding across the county. However, as Rhuddlan and Bodelwyddan had entered into the current RDP Plan at a later stage, it had not benefited from the Plan to the extent of the remainder of the area. More activity would be planned in the Rhuddlan/Bodelwyddan area for it to benefit from the new RDP in due course.

The Committee heard that under the 2007-2013 Plan Denbighshire County Council had been responsible for distributing grant money to businesses, whilst Cadwyn Clwyd (the LAG) had awarded bursaries;

A number of tourist and agri-food projects had benefited under the current plan as had community projects. With the current Plan drawing to a close an anticipated 1% to 2% underspend was projected. This was an acceptable level of underspend for such a programme, and a far lower rate of underspend than a number of other rural development plans.

the rate of return for the Council of the RDP's work in the area was showing a £4 rate of return for every £1 contributed by the Authority in projects;

despite the fact that the current plan would be ceasing at the end of 2014 the 2014-2020 RDP Plan submitted to the Welsh Government (WG) was yet to be approved. Approval was expected to be given in February 2015, one WG received confirmation on RDP funding from the European Commission

Responding to members questions the lead members and officers :

- advised that the current RDP had included a good cross-sector of projects across the County;
- answered questions on specific projects and undertook to provide more information on the Llangollen Museum project;
- explained how outcomes from projects were measured and how the Wales Audit Office had the powers to undertake spot-checks on the administration of the scheme locally;
- outlined the consultation process which had been undertaken as part of compiling the new RDP for 2014-2020;
- confirmed that the new RDP would have greater emphasis on tackling poverty and economic regeneration, particularly the regeneration of excluded/hard to reach communities. The new plan would expect projects submitted for consideration to have explored and secured match-funding for the projects prior to receiving RDP funding. Any funding awarded under the new RDP would need to attract at least 20% match funding from elsewhere;
- affirmed that Cadwyn Clwyd would again be the decision taking body with respect to awarding funding for projects, with a representative from each of the rural area Member Area Groups (MAGs) sitting on the awarding body;
- advised that with local government funding dwindling year on year local members should, through the MAGs and the town and area plans earmark high priority or desirable projects that may benefit from applying for RDP funding and identifying additional funding sources to match-fund the projects.

It was already known that communities within Denbighshire were eligible to benefit from other funding sources e.g. Communities First, community monies from major infrastructure/wind energy projects. A co-ordinated approach towards the planning and delivery of proposed projects could maximise the benefits from them for the communities concerned, ensure long-term sustainability and support the Council's ambition to develop the local economy as well as to deliver a number of its corporate priorities. It should also be noted that not all projects would be compatible with the Council's priorities ;

- noted that the 2014-20 Plan also included proposed improvements within the AONB
- Scrutiny members from both Denbighshire and Flintshire councils would be invited to attend the celebration event marking the conclusion of the 2007 - 2013 RDP Plan

At the conclusion of the discussion the Committee:

RESOLVED:

(i) subject to the above observations, to note the good practices identified during the delivery of the current programme of the Rural Development Plan funding in rural Denbighshire and that those practices be utilised where appropriate during the new programming period; and

(ii) that a report outlining external funding schemes available to local communities, as part of national or European government schemes/funds or as recompense for large infrastructure projects and how they can best be coordinated with local government funding with a view to maximising the benefits to local communities, be presented to the Committee for consideration at its meeting in February 2015

6 ANNUAL REPORT ON ADULT PROTECTION IN DENBIGHSHIRE 1 APRIL 2013 TO 31 MARCH 2014

The Lead Member for Social Care and Children's Services introduced the Annual Report on Adult Protection in Denbighshire for the period 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 (previously circulated)

The Committee was advised that the introduction of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 made adult safeguarding a statutory requirement for the first time. The adult safeguarding process would be similar to the one followed for children. There was a new process regarding serious case reviews being implemented, with final guidance on adult practices reviews still awaited.

Attention was drawn to the increased number of adult protection referrals in the county (page 2) and clarification that this did not necessarily equate to an increase in the number of incidents but possibly the result of a heightened awareness of the referral process, existence and accessibility.

The Committee heard that the number of POVA referrals and the profile of the alleged victims were similar in Denbighshire to that of both Flintshire and Wrexham (mainly elderly women). Nationally this placed Denbighshire mid-table on Welsh Government (WG) statistics.

With regard to complaints, it was emphasised that an 'inconclusive' outcome did not mean that no action would be taken. Any potential gaps or shortcomings identified during the investigation process would be addressed as a matter of course. The investigation outcome from a POVA referral is based on 'the balance of probabilities' that a violation had taken place, this could be extremely difficult in cases where there were no witnesses and it was one person's word against another. There were occasions however when medical evidence would tip the balance.

POVA was a process under which various agencies gathered evidence under thorough investigation with a view to determining whether any abuse had taken place. The initial decision made would be whether the vulnerable person was at

risk of immediate harm? If they were they would be moved to a place of safety before any of the detailed investigation into the alleged violations took place.

It was explained to the Committee that where figures showed a high percentages of 'residents' were affected or a high percentage of staff were the alleged perpetrators - this more often than not was a large establishment where an anonymous complaint had been made against an un-named member of staff, this meant that all residents were classed as affected and all staff classed as alleged perpetrators - this potentially skewed the figures. Consequently members requested that a footnote to this effect be included in future annual reports.

A Supreme Court Judgement relating to the test for 'deprivation of liberty' for the purpose of Article 5 of the European Convention on Human Rights had resulted in a significant increase in the number of review applications both nationally and locally. The protracted assessment process for deprivation of liberty reviews and cost involved with each individual review had placed increased pressures on the Social Services' Department's staff and its budget. To date 11 best interest assessors had been trained to increase the pool of staff available to undertake work relating to these reviews. However, this was still not sufficient to deal with the estimated increase in review requests. It was also identified that there was a need to increase capacity within current 'Localities' staff to deal with POVA enquiries, therefore discussions would commence with an external trainer early in the new year to see how this could be facilitated.

It was confirmed that no posts had been lost as part of the budget setting process for 2015/16, and it was anticipated that the administration review which was currently underway would help strengthen the Service to deal with the increase in the number of referrals year on year and with the additional work involved as a result of the Supreme Court's ruling on the Deprivation of Liberty test

Following an in-depth discussion the Committee:

RESOLVED :

(i) subject to the above observations, to receive the report and acknowledge the important nature of a corporate approach to the Protection of Vulnerable Adults and the responsibility of the Council to view this as a key priority area and place it alongside the commitment and significance given by Denbighshire to Child Protection; and

(ii) that the Annual Report on Adult Protection in Denbighshire for the period April 2014 to March 2015 be presented to the Committee in twelve months time, and that the report include an evaluation of the resource and financial impact of the Supreme Court's Judgement on Deprivation of Liberty on the Service and its work.

7 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Scrutiny Coordinator (SC) introduced a report (previously circulated) regarding the Partnerships Committee's forward work programme and highlighted where decisions were required from the Group.

Items scheduled for 5th February 2015 included:

1. Regional Emergency Planning Service
2. Co-ordination of Community Funding

RESOLVED that the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee's forward work programme be approved.

8 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Councillor Richard Davies had represented the Committee at a recent Business Improvement and Modernisation service challenge. He felt that the Service had been robustly challenged and would bring a more detailed report to the next meeting.

9 HERITAGE SERVICE PERFORMANCE AND REVIEW

Part II item:

RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business because it is likely that exempt information as defined in paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act would be disclosed.

The Lead Member for Leisure, Youth, Tourism and Rural Development and the Head of Highways and Environmental Services introduced the confidential report (previously circulated) prepared by consultants on 'The Future Delivery of Heritage Services in Denbighshire'.

The Committee heard that since 2010 a number of changes had been made within the Heritage Service, including reviews of service provision, attraction opening times and ways to increase visitor spending. This had streamlined working practices and supported an increase in yield of 15% in income during the 2010 - 2014 period, with an estimated additional yield of 2% to 3% projected in the forthcoming few years.

A service review was undertaken by an external consultant who concluded that greater collaboration was required both locally and regionally to provide a more modern, responsive and innovative service. This conclusion fit in with the context of the Authority's "Freedom and Flexibilities" programme which encouraged increased partnership working.

Members of the committee were apprised that future provision of heritage services depended not only on partnership working, but also the various restrictive conditions relating to leaseholds, covenants and service level agreements - in relation not only to the attraction sites but adjacent authority owned land.

Members discussed the potential to work on a regional basis with respect of heritage assets with a view to enhance their promotion and visibility.

Members suggested that it may be useful to utilise the following methods of promoting the attractions:

- e-mails to all councillors with a list of events taking place at the facilities;
- increase use of social media for their promotion;
- introduction of a single entry ticket for the venues, with perhaps a discounted rate for purchasing entry to the entire heritage portfolio;
- working closer with voluntary/independent sector attractions with a view to raising awareness and promoting both Council and non-Council owned attractions.

The Committee:

RESOLVED :

(i) subject to the above observations endorsed the significant progress made by Denbighshire's Heritage Service since 2011;

(ii) to support the general aim outlined in the service review i.e. that the Service should work towards higher levels of partnership and collaborative working; and

(iii) to support the actions currently being pursued in order to deliver the above aim, including the investigation/concept development work that was being proposed.

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Report to:	Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Date of Meeting:	19th March 2015
Lead Members:	Leader and the Lead Member for Leisure, Youth, Tourism and Rural Development
Report Author:	Team Leader External Funding Team Leader Economic and Business Development South
Title:	Co-ordination of Community Funding

1. What is the report about?

This report explains the current position with European Union (EU) and other funds currently available for Community benefit.

2. What is the reason for making this report?

This report will provide the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee with the current position and availability of potential funding sources (subject to eligibility criteria) for Community benefit. It will detail the support available to Community groups in applying for funding which is also available via external agencies and support networks.

This is a guide to the main sources of EU and other funds that will give Partnerships Scrutiny Committee a greater understanding of the types of funding currently available. (Please note that this list is not an exhaustive list of all funding streams available. Communities are recommended to seek advice at time of seeking funding as to what additional sources may be available at that point in time)

3. What are the Recommendations?

That the Committee considers the information and provides observations on how the Council can work with communities to identify projects and raise awareness of funding sources available to community groups with a view to maximising their benefits to those communities and support the delivery of the Council's corporate priorities and plan.

4. Report details.

Detailed below is a guide to the main funding sources currently available:

EU Funds

EU Structural Funds 2014-2020: The EU Structural Funds for Wales have now been approved by the European Commission. Over the period 2014-2020 the EU Funds will allocate £1.6bn to the 15 counties of West Wales and the Valleys, which includes Denbighshire, this will need also to be matched by domestic funding (public, private and voluntary).

The amount of matched funding varies according to each theme, and project, but the

following programme level grant rates are provided to give an indication of grant levels anticipated.

The programmes in Wales will focus on the following investment objectives

1. Research and Innovation, (Grant Rate 66%)
2. SME Competitiveness, (Grant Rate 62%)
3. Renewable Energy and Efficiency, (Grant Rate 69%)
4. Connectivity and Urban Development, (Grant Rate 66%)
5. Tackling Poverty through Sustainable Employment, (Grant Rate 79%)
6. Skills for Growth (Grant Rate 72%)
7. Youth Employment and Attainment. (Grant Rate 74%)

EU Project Development: There will be considerably fewer projects under this round of funding, particularly at the local level. **Projects will be more strategic in nature and will, in the majority of cases, be at a sub-regional, regional or indeed a national level.** Local Government EU Teams are coordinating and facilitating project development work in each region, working with all key partners and sectors to identify operations and activities to progress with Welsh European Funding Office (WEFO).

Rural Development Plan (RDP) 2014-2020: Welsh Government (WG) is currently developing the next RDP programme which will run until 2020. Cadwyn Clwyd submitted an Expression of Interest to become the Local Action Group (LAG) for Rural Denbighshire to deliver the 'LEADER' element of the RDP.

WG has set out a broad framework of thematic options for the next RDP which will include:

1. Adding value to local identity and natural and cultural resources
2. Facilitating pre-commercial development, business partnerships and short supply chains
3. Exploring new ways of providing non-statutory local services
4. Renewable energy at Community level; and
5. Exploitation of digital technology

As yet the 2014-2020 RDP has not been approved by the European Commission and therefore WG are unable to release any funding to the LAGs for communities to bid into.

Rural Community Development Fund (RCDF): The RCDF will be administered by the WG also under the Wales RDP 2014-2020. It will be aimed primarily at LAGs and other community-based organisations in Wales to support projects in key rural priority sectors. The scheme will support locally-determined needs as part of a national framework to ensure that the same types of interventions are available across Wales. WG will, subject to agreement with the European Commission, launch the RCDF in mid-2015 and there will be at least two application rounds.

Other Funds

RWE Windfarm Funding - Clocaenog Forest: Following award of planning consent in September 2014, initial meetings between Conwy and Denbighshire County Councils, local community representatives and RWE have taken place. Funds will become available when the site is fully operational, which is currently anticipated to be in 2017.

RWE will now need to consult on how the Community Benefit fund is delivered and its area of benefit.

Gwynt y Môr: Whilst there have been some delays in the process, RWE are expected to award the contract for a Fund Administrator in March 2015. Once this appointment is made, work will begin in earnest on confirming the Area of Benefit and the project eligibility criteria.

BIG Lottery – Community Asset Transfer: The BIG Lottery is launching a further round of the Community Asset Transfer 2 Programme (CAT2), a programme investing up to £9 million to support the transfer of assets to community ownership. This much needed initiative will help build the capacity of enterprising communities and contribute to the regeneration and sustainability of communities across Wales. We understand that briefing sessions are planned, and dates will be made available to members as soon as possible.

Commutated Sums: A Commuted Sum is a payment by developers to a local authority when it is not appropriate to provide the required outdoor open space during a development. The funds are held specifically for the enhancement of open spaces and play areas, and are often used for the same town or community council from where they came. Funding rounds are advertised with the availability of funding in areas where the payments have been received.

Where there is a clear economic benefit, Economic and Business Development would lead on providing development support. Where activities are more community focused, DVSC / WCVA will provide development support for applicants

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

Successful projects will generally have specific outputs attached to their application which will relate to the activity and the eligibility criteria of the specific funding programme.

Projects will in the main address the following areas:

Priority - developing the local economy: New quality job opportunities and the skills required to access these jobs, to reduce economic inactivity where feasible, to diversify the local economic base, to develop new markets for businesses.

Priority – clean and tidy streets: Working directly with the Community in adopting LEADER methodology enables engagements at grass-roots and prioritises the needs of those on a local basis.

The overall aim of the projects is to support the development of sustainable communities, helping to create an environment in which people want to live, work and invest in.

6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

Services pursuing an application for EU funding will be required to source matched funding. This will be dependent on the scale and nature of the project being developed.

For community funding, there will also be an expectation that applicants will provide matched funding. This will vary according to the fund.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision?

See attached equality impact assessment.

8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

For EU programmes, the EU Team has coordinated DCC responses to consultations for the EU Structural Funds and the RDP. Formal Council responses were submitted to WG in April 2013. Events were held in March 2013 with officers, members and the Denbighshire RDP Partnership to inform these responses. Responses were ratified by Cabinet in April 2013 ahead of submission.

For other funds consultations are led by the funding body directly. Economic and Business Development has been involved in consultation events for other funds.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

There are no obvious financial implications contained in the report as it is a guide to funding opportunities.

10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

1. Matched Funding – The requirement to source eligible matched funding, presents a risk to applicants, as without it, projects will not be able to progress.
2. Changes to EU Technical Support and wider EBD Review – At the time of writing there is not enough information to comment in detail, however it's likely that changes to support services will affect:
 - i. Development Support – There will likely be a reduction in capacity and therefore an impact on development support to applicant looking to secure external funds.
 - ii. Compliance and Audit – Reduction in capacity will also impact on the provision of compliance and audit support for projects post approval. Given the monitoring and retention requirements for EU funds in particular, this is a risk.

(a report on the 'Restructure of the Economic and Business Development Team', outlining its future role in developing the local economy and supporting the delivery of the Corporate Plan, was presented to Communities Scrutiny Committee on 12 March 2015. The link below will take you to the report on the Council's website:

<https://moderngov.denbighshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=271&MId=4917&LLL=0>)

11. Power to make the Decision

Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000 gives the Council the power to do anything which it considers is likely to promote or improve the economic, social and environmental well-being of the area.

Article 6.3.2(c) of the Council's Constitution stipulates that scrutiny committees may consider any matter affecting the area or its inhabitants.

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Appendix 1

Community Funding 19 March 2015

Equality Impact Assessment

Town and Area Plans

Contact: Sian Morgan Jones, Team Leader External Funding
Joanna Douglass, Team Leader Economic and Business Development South

Updated: 19 March 2015

1. What type of proposal / decision is being assessed?

Other

2. What is the purpose of this proposal / decision, and what change (to staff or the community) will occur as a result of its implementation?

This report will provide the Partnership Scrutiny Committee with the current position and availability of potential funding sources (subject to eligibility criteria) for Community benefit. It will detail the support available to Community groups in applying for funding which is also available via external agencies and support networks.

3. Does this proposal / decision require an equality impact assessment? If no, please explain why.

*Please note: if the proposal will have an impact on people (staff or the community) then an equality impact assessment **must** be undertaken*

Yes

4. Please provide a summary of the steps taken, and the information used, to carry out this assessment, including any engagement undertaken

(Please refer to section 1 in the toolkit for guidance)

This report provides a guide to the main sources of EU and other funds that will give the Partnership Scrutiny Committee a greater understanding of the types of funding currently available. (Please note that report is not an exhaustive list of all funding streams available. Communities are recommended to seek advice at time of seeking funding as to what additional sources may be available at that point in time)

- 5. Will this proposal / decision have a positive impact on any of the protected characteristics (age; disability; gender-reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation)?**
(Please refer to section 1 in the toolkit for a description of the protected characteristics)

The report itself is a guide to the main sources of EU and other funds and therefore will not have an impact on the protected characteristics. The projects and activities that may be funded through EU and other funds should have a positive impact on some of the protected characteristics. As these projects and initiatives are developed a specific Equality Impact Assessment will be required to be undertaken by the project owner at the appropriate stage and this will provide a more detailed assessment of impact on protected characteristics. Locally delivered regeneration empowers local communities and equality of access will be central to delivery of current and any future programmes.

- 6. Will this proposal / decision have a disproportionate negative impact on any of the protected characteristics (age; disability; gender-reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation)?**

The report is a guide to the main sources of EU funds and other funds. The projects and activities that may be funded through EU and other funds are in addition to current provision and on this basis will not have any disproportionate negative impact on any of the protected characteristics. As these projects and initiatives are developed a specific Equality Impact Assessment will be required to be undertaken by the project owner at the appropriate stage and this will provide a more detailed assessment of impact on protected characteristics. Locally delivered regeneration empowers local communities and equality of access will be central to delivery of current and any future programmes.

- 7. Has the proposal / decision been amended to eliminate or reduce any potential disproportionate negative impact? If no, please explain why.**

No	
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- 8. Have you identified any further actions to address and / or monitor any potential negative impact(s)?**

Yes	Individual Equality Impact Assessments for specific projects or activities that may be funded through EU or other funds will be required to be undertaken by the project owner at the appropriate stage to provide a more detailed understanding of, and action to address, any negative impact on the protected
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9. Declaration

Every reasonable effort has been made to eliminate or reduce any potential disproportionate impact on people sharing protected characteristics. The actual impact of the proposal / decision will be reviewed at the appropriate stage.

Review Date:	19 March 2015
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Name of Lead Officer for Equality Impact Assessment	Date
Sian Morgan Jones, Team Leader External Funding Joanna Douglass, Team Leader Economic and Business Development South	19/03/2015

Please note you will be required to publish the outcome of the equality impact assessment if you identify a substantial likely impact.

Report to: Partnerships Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting: 19 March 2015

Report Author: Scrutiny Coordinator

Title: Scrutiny Work Programme

1. What is the report about?

The report presents Partnerships Scrutiny Committee with its draft forward work programme for members' consideration.

2. What is the reason for making this report?

To seek the Committee to review and agree on its programme of future work, and to update members on relevant issues.

3. What are the recommendations?

That the Committee:

- 3.1 considers the information provided and approves, revises or amends its forward work programme as it deems appropriate; and
- 3.2 appoints a representative to serve on the Education Service Challenge Group.

4. Report details.

- 4.1 Article 6 of Denbighshire County Council's Constitution sets out each Scrutiny Committee's terms of reference, functions and membership, whilst the rules of procedure for scrutiny committees are laid out in Part 4 of the Constitution.
- 4.2 The Constitution stipulates that the Council's scrutiny committees must prepare and keep under review a programme for their future work. By reviewing and prioritising issues, members are able to ensure that the work programme delivers a member-led agenda.
- 4.3 For a number of years it has been an adopted practice in Denbighshire for scrutiny committees to limit the number of reports considered at any one meeting to a maximum of four plus the Committee's own work programme report. The aim of this approach is to facilitate detailed and effective debate on each topic.
- 4.4 In recent years the Welsh Government (WG) and the Wales Audit Office (WAO) have highlighted the need to strengthen scrutiny's role across local government and public services in Wales, including utilising scrutiny as a means of engaging with residents and service-

users. Going forward scrutiny will be expected to engage better and more frequently with the public with a view to securing better decisions which ultimately lead to better outcomes for citizens. In future the WAO will measure scrutiny's effectiveness in fulfilling these expectations.

4.5 Having regard to the national vision for scrutiny whilst at the same time focussing on local priorities, the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group (SCVCG) recently recommended that the Council's scrutiny committees should, when deciding on their work programmes, focus on the following key areas:

- budget savings;
- achievement of the Corporate Plan objectives (with particular emphasis on the their deliverability during a period of financial austerity);
- any other items agreed by the Scrutiny Committee (or the SCVCG) as high priority (based on the PAPER test criteria – see paragraph 4.6 below) and;
- Urgent, unforeseen or high priority issues

4.6 The Committee is therefore requested to consider its draft work programme for future meetings, as detailed in appendix 1, and approve, revise or amend it as it deems appropriate. During consideration of the forward work programme the Committee may find it useful to have regard to the 'PAPER' test (see below) to determine a topic's suitability for scrutiny:

<u>P</u> ublic Interest:	is the matter of concern to residents?
<u>A</u> bility to have an impact:	can Scrutiny influence and change things?
<u>P</u> erformance:	does is concern an underperforming service or area?
<u>E</u> xtent:	does it affect a large number of residents/large geographic area?
<u>R</u> eplication:	is anyone else looking at it?

Scrutiny Proposal Forms

4.7 As mentioned in paragraph 4.2 above the Council's Constitution requires scrutiny committees to prepare and keep under review a programme for their future work. To assist the process of prioritising reports, if officers are of the view that a subject merits time for discussion on the Committee's business agenda they have to formally request the Committee to consider receiving a report on that topic. This is done via the submission of a 'proposal form' which clarifies the purpose, importance and potential outcomes of suggested subjects. No officer proposal forms have been received for consideration at the current meeting.

4.8 With a view to making better use of scrutiny's time by focussing committees' resources on detailed examination of subjects, adding

value through the decision-making process and securing better outcomes for residents, the SCVCG recently decided that members, as well as officers, should complete 'scrutiny proposal forms' outlining the reasons why they think a particular subject would benefit from scrutiny's input. A copy of the 'member's proposal form' can be seen at Appendix 2. The reverse side of this form contains a flowchart listing questions which members should consider when proposing an item for scrutiny, and which committees should ask when determining a topic's suitability for inclusion on a scrutiny forward work programme. If, having followed this process, a topic is not deemed suitable for formal examination by a scrutiny committee, alternative channels for sharing the information or examining the matter can be considered e.g. the provision of an 'information report', or if the matter is of a very local nature examination by the relevant Member Area Group (MAG). In future no items will be included on a forward work programme without a 'scrutiny proposal form' being completed and the topic being accepted for inclusion by the Committee. Assistance with the form's completion is available from the Scrutiny Co-ordinator.

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

- 4.9 As Professor Trevor Purt, Chief Executive of the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, attended a Council Briefing session on 16 March 2015 to discuss the Board's three year plan with all county councillors it was felt that it would be slightly premature to invite BCUHB representatives to Partnerships Scrutiny Committee on 30 April to discuss progress to date. The Chair therefore agreed that the meeting with Health Service representatives should be deferred until later in the year.

Cabinet Forward Work Programme

- 4.10 When determining their programme of future work it is useful for scrutiny committees to have regard to Cabinet's scheduled programme of work. For this purpose a copy of the Cabinet's forward work programme is attached at Appendix 3.

Progress on Committee Resolutions

- 4.11 A table summarising recent Committee resolutions and advising members on progress with their implementation is attached at Appendix 4 to this report.

5. Service Challenge Groups

Following the passing of Councillor Margaret McCarroll there is a vacancy for a Committee representative on the Education Service Challenge Group. The Committee is therefore requested to appoint a representative to serve on that Group. An up to date list of scrutiny representatives on the Service Challenge Groups is attached at Appendix 5 for information.

6. Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group

- 6.1 Under the Council's scrutiny arrangements the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group (SCVCG) performs the role of a coordinating committee. The Group met on 8 January and, as detailed in paragraphs 4.5 and 4.6 above, recommended the use of Member Proposal forms and a stringent process for determining a topic's suitability for scrutiny.
- 6.2 At its meeting on 19 February it discussed a number of requests from officers and members for items to be included on Scrutiny Committees' forward work programmes. Consequently, an officer request for this Committee to consider a report on the Denbighshire Communities First Cluster had been permitted and scheduled into the Committee's forward work programme for its meeting on 30 July 2015 (see appendix 1).
- 6.3 The SCVCG also discussed the arrangements for reporting on the scrutiny committees' work during 2014/15 to Annual Council in May, and as part of that process it has decided to undertake an evaluation exercise of the scrutiny function's work. All county councillors and senior managers will shortly be issued with a short questionnaire seeking them to evaluate scrutiny's effectiveness from their perspective. A summary of the findings will be reported as part of the item on the Annual Report at the Annual Council meeting in May.
- 6.4 Another item discussed at length at the meeting on 19 February was the Welsh Government's (WG) recent White Paper, *Devolution, Democracy and Delivery – Reforming Local Government: Power to Local People*. The link below should take members to the WG's website where the White Paper can be found:
<http://wales.gov.uk/consultations/localgovernment/power-to-local-people/?lang=en>
Chapter 8 of the White Paper, 'Strengthening the Role of Review', sets out the Welsh Government's proposals for scrutiny. The SCVCG's views on the consultation questions relating to chapter 8 will be fed into the Council's overall consultation response to the WG.

7. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

Effective scrutiny will assist the Council to deliver its corporate priorities in line with community needs and residents' wishes. Continual development and review of a coordinated work programme will assist the Council to deliver its corporate priorities, improve outcomes for residents whilst also managing austere budget cuts.

8. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision? The completed EqIA template should be attached as an appendix to the report.

No Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken for the purpose of this report as consideration of the Committee's forward work programme is not deemed to have an adverse or unfair impact on people who share protected characteristics.

9. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

Services may need to allocate officer time to assist the Committee with the activities identified in the forward work programme, and with any actions that may result following consideration of those items.

10. What consultations have been carried out?

None required for this report. However, the report itself and the consideration of the forward work programme represent a consultation process with the Committee with respect to its programme of future work.

11. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

No risks have been identified with respect to the consideration of the Committee's forward work programme. However, by regularly reviewing its forward work programme the Committee can ensure that areas of risk are considered and examined as and when they are identified, and recommendations are made with a view to addressing those risks.

12. Power to make the decision

Article 6.3.7 of the Council's Constitution stipulates that the Council's scrutiny committees must prepare and keep under review a programme for their future work.

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Note: Items entered in italics have not been approved for submission by the Committee. Such reports are listed here for information, pending formal approval.

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
30 April	Cllr. Huw LI Jones	1 AONB Joint Committee	To monitor the progress by the Joint Committee for the new AONB since its establishment	Identification of any risks or problems which may hinder the new committee from delivering its key role in the conservation and enhancement of the area's natural beauty, and consequently impact on the local economy.	Howard Sutcliffe	April 2014
25 June	Cllr. David Smith	1 Regional Emergency Planning Service	To review the operation, management and financial benefits of the new partnership 12 months after its establishment	A guarantee that Denbighshire's residents will be safe and supported in the County experienced a natural or man-made disaster	Rebecca Maxwell	June 2014
	Cllr. David Smith	2. CCTV Savings Update Report	To consider the progress made to date in devising an exit strategy and securing alternative solutions for the delivery of a CCTV Service for Rhyl, Prestatyn and Rhuddlan	The establishment of viable alternative provision for the CCTV which will satisfy stakeholders	Graham Boase/Emlyn Jones	November 2014 (allocated by SCVCG in January 2015 following initial report to

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
			following the cessation of Council funding from April 2016 onwards			Performance Scrutiny Committee – November 2014)
	Cllr. Eryl Williams	3. Effectiveness of partnership working with the Education Service [Education]	To evaluate the effectiveness of partnership working arrangements between internal and external agencies and the County's education service (e.g. Bridge, TAF etc. – following concerns raised at a recent SSMG meeting)	More effective working and use of resources between all partner organisations and stakeholders to realise better outcomes for pupils and students. Ensure that requests to various organisations are responded to on time and that various agencies do not duplicate service provision	Karen Evans	Member request via Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group (February 2015)
30 July		1. Denbighshire Communities First Cluster Report	To examine the work of the Communities First Lead Delivery Body in delivering its programme of work to improve the lives of citizens in the County's most deprived areas	Formulation of recommendations to the Communities First Cluster Advisory Board to ensure that the programme delivers its intended programme of work	Liz Grieve	SCVCG February 2015

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
				and improve the lives of the County's most vulnerable citizens and contributes to significantly improved the most deprived communities		
	Cllr. David Smith	2. Community Safety Partnership [Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Committee]	To detail the Partnership's achievement in delivering its 2014/15 action plan and its progress to date in delivering its action plan for 2015/16 and its work in complementing that of the Denbighshire Single Integrated Plan and the LSCB. The report to include financial sources and the progress made in spending the allocated funding.	Effective monitoring of the CSP's delivery of its action plan for 2014/15 and its progress to date in delivering its plan for 2015/16 will ensure that the CSP delivers the services which the Council and local residents require	Alan Smith/Liz Grieve/Steve Parker	September 2014
		3. <i>North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority</i>	<i>To examine the impact and effectiveness of the increased contribution by the Council to the NWFRA's annual budget</i>	<i>An evaluation of the impact and effectiveness of the increased contribution on the safety of residents and on Council services</i>	NWFRA	<i>December 2014</i>
8 October	Cllr. Bobby	1. Single Point of Access	To consider the progress made	Identification of any	Phil Gilroy/Cathy	April 2014

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
(Rhyl)	Feeley		with the establishment of the Single Point of Access Service	problems associated with the Service and actions to address them	Curtis-Nelson	
		2. Wellbeing Plan Annual Report	To consider the progress made to date with the delivery of the Local Service Board's Annual Wellbeing Plan	To evaluate the progress made to date with the Plan's delivery and identify any gaps or shortcomings with its delivery in order to recommend solutions of courses of action that will help improve outcomes for residents	Liz Grieve	February 2015
26 November	Cllr. Bobby Feeley	1. Protection of Vulnerable Adults Annual Report 2014/15	To consider the POVA annual report, and information in place to meet the statutory requirements of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 and an evaluation of the financial and resource impact of the Supreme Court's 2014 Judgement on deprivation of liberty on the Service and its work	An evaluation of whether the Authority is meeting its statutory duty with respect to adult safeguarding and has sufficient resources to undertake this work along with the additional work in the wake of the Supreme Court's judgement	Phil Gilroy/Alaw Pierce/Nerys Tompsett	December 2014

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
14 January 2016						
25 February						
14 April						
26 May						
7 July						
6 Oct 2016	Cllr. Julian Thompson-Hill	1. Commercial Partnership for the Revenues and Benefits Service	To review the Partnership's progress and in particular the new business element of the proposal and the Welsh Language service provision	An evaluation: (i) of whether the financial and commercial benefits of the partnership agreement have been realised; and (ii) that the service is delivering the level of service expected which conforms to the Council's relevant policies in lines with the Heads of Terms	Paul McGrady/Rod Urquhart/Jackie Walley	December 2014 (by County Council in line with Cabinet's recommendation – allocated to the Committee by the SCVCG January 2015)

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
				Agreement		
24 November						

Future Issues

Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
Citizens Panel (mid 2015)	To outline the proposed composition of the Panel and the recruitment and appointment process for appointing its members	The formation of a fair and equitable Panel which will form part of the governance arrangements for the Social Service and Health Programme Board and ensure that citizens and service-users views are heard and acted upon	Nicola Stubbins	November 2014
Update following conclusion of inquiry undertaken by the National Crime Agency in to historic abuse in North Wales Children's' Care Homes	To update the Committee of the outcome of the National Crime Agency (NCA) investigation in to the abuse of children in the care of the former Clwyd County Council, and to determine whether any procedures require revision.	Determination of whether any of the Council's safeguarding policies and procedures need to be revised in light of the NCA's findings	Nicola Stubbins	November 2012
For Next meeting with BCUHB				
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board's Three Year Plan 2015-2018	To consider the Health Board's new three year plan	Better planning and coordination of health and social care work and associated funding	Sally Baxter/Nicola Stubbins	December 2014

BCUHB in Conwy & Denbighshire	To consider the progress made with the introduction of the new local management structure for the Conwy & Denbighshire	Identification of any early problems with the introduction of the new management structure and the interface between Health and Social Care	BCUHB/Nicola Stubbins/Phil Gilroy	December 2014
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For future years

Information/Consultation Reports

Information / Consultation	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Author	Date Entered
Information (April 2015)	Cat's Paw Theatre Tour in High Schools	To provide an evaluation of the Theatre project in educating secondary school children in relation to exploring safe relationships	Siân Taylor	September 2014

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Note for officers – Committee Report Deadlines

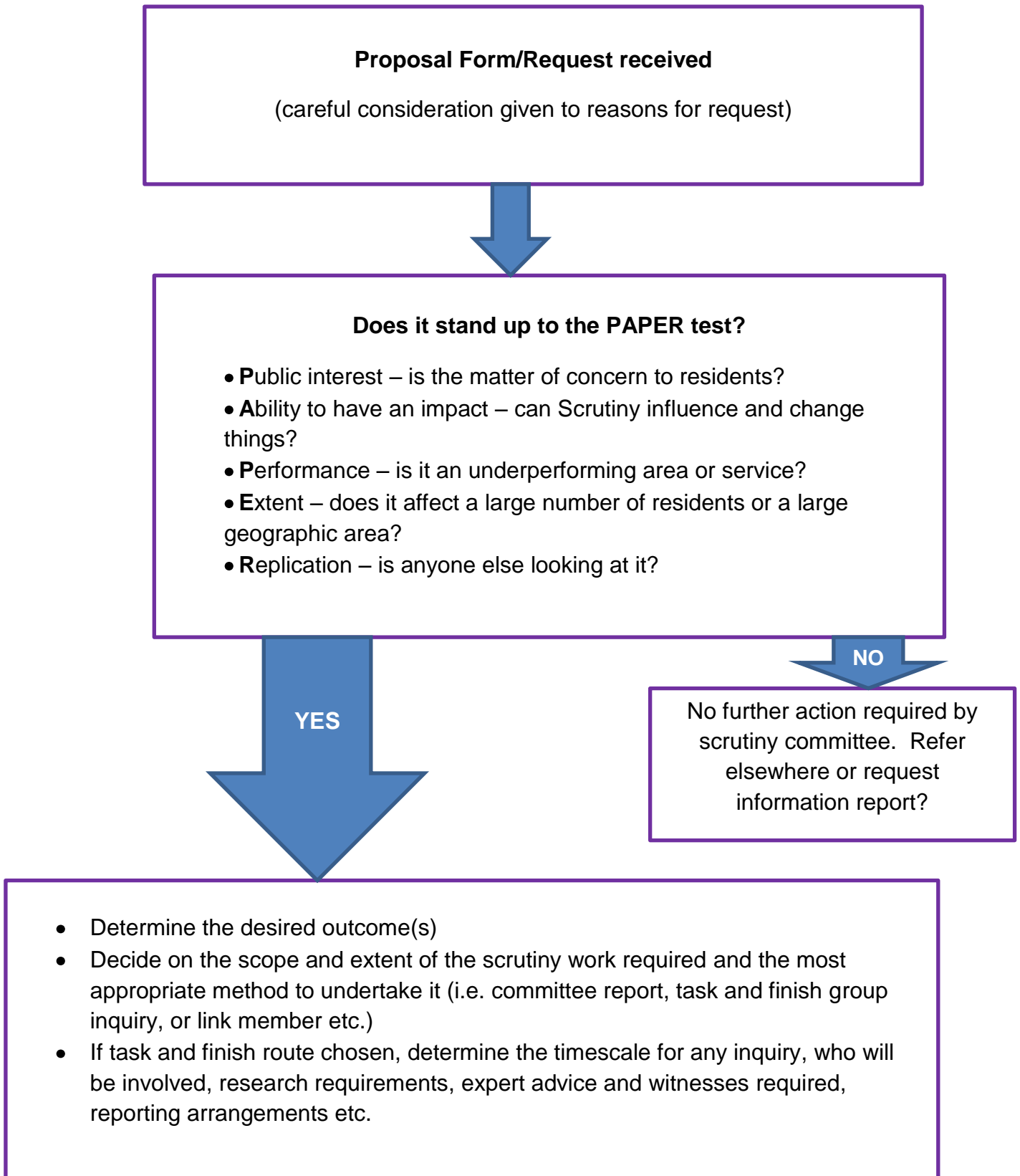
Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
30 April	16 April	25 June	11 June	30 July	16 July

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Member Proposal Form for Scrutiny Forward Work Programme	
NAME OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	
TIMESCALE FOR CONSIDERATION	
TOPIC	
What needs to be scrutinised (and why)?	
Is the matter one of concern to residents/local businesses?	YES/NO
Can Scrutiny influence and change things? (if 'yes' please state how you think scrutiny can influence or change things)	YES/NO
Does the matter relate to an underperforming service or area?	YES/NO
Does the matter affect a large number of residents or a large geographical area of the County (if 'yes' please give an indication of the size of the affected group or area)	YES/NO
Is the matter linked to the Council's Corporate priorities (if 'yes' please state which priority/priorities)	YES/NO
To your knowledge is anyone else looking at this matter? (If 'yes', please say who is looking at it)	YES/NO
If the topic is accepted for scrutiny who would you want to invite to attend e.g. Lead Member, officers, external experts, service-users?	
Name of Councillor/Co-opted Member	
Date	

Consideration of a topic's suitability for scrutiny



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Appendix 3

Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
24 March	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Paul McGrady
	2	Business Rates Write Offs	To seek approval for uncollectible Business Rates Debts to be written off	Yes	Cllr Julian Thompson-Hill / Rod Urquhart
	3	HB/CTRS Telephone Recording Policy	Tbc	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson_hill / Rod Urquhart
	4	Council Tax/Business Rates Telephone Recording Policy	Tbc	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson_hill / Rod Urquhart
	5	Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) Policy 2015/16 onwards	Tbc	Tbc	Cllr Julian Thompson_hill / Rod Urquhart
	6	Ysgol Esgob Morgan - School Organisation Proposal	To consider any objections received following the publication of the statutory notice and to consider whether to approve the implementation of the proposal.	Yes	Cllr Eryl Williams / Jackie Walley

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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
	7	Ysgol Glan Clwyd - 21st Century Schools Project	To support the Final Business Case for the Ysgol Glan Clwyd extension and refurbishment project as part of the 21st Century Schools and to consider recommending its approval to Council	Yes	Councillor Eryl Williams / Jackie Walley
	8	GwE Governance Arrangements	To consider a report recommending changes to the membership of the GwE Joint Committee in response to the adoption of the National Model for Regional Joint Working	Yes	Cllr Eryl Williams / Karen Evans
	9	Long Term Strategy for the Agricultural Estate	To seek Cabinet's approval to adopting a new long term strategy for the Agricultural Estate	Yes	Cllr Julian Thompson-Hill / David Lorey / Gerald Thomas / Mair Jones
	10	Ty Nant, 6-8 Nant Hall Road, Former Library, WC Block and car park at Nant Hall Road, Prestatyn	To consider declaring land and buildings as surplus to requirements and for disposal	Yes	Cllr Julian Thompson-Hill / David Mathews
	11	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator

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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
			Cabinet's attention		
28 April	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Paul McGrady
	2	Affordable Housing Task and Finish Group	To consider the findings of the Affordable Housing Task and Finish Group	Tbc	Cllr David Smith / Graham Boase
	3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
26 May	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Paul McGrady
	2	Ruthin Primary Proposals	To consider the formal consultation reports following the publication of proposals for the amalgamation of Ysgol Llanfair DC and Ysgol Pentrecelyn and the closure of Ysgol Rhewl and to consider whether to publish the relevant statutory notices.	Yes	Councillor Eryl Williams / Jackie Walley
	3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator

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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
			raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention		
June	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Paul McGrady
	2	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
July	1	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Paul McGrady
	2	The Future of In-house Care Services	To consider the results of the consultation with existing users of in-house care services	Yes	Councillor Bobby Feeley / Phil Gilroy
	3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator

Note for officers – Cabinet Report Deadlines

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<i>March</i>	<i>10 March</i>	<i>April</i>	<i>14 April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>11 May</i>

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Progress with Committee Resolutions

Date of Meeting	Item number and title	Resolution	Progress
18 December 2014	5. Rural Development Plan Partnership	<p>RESOLVED:</p> <p><i>(i) subject to the above observations, to note the good practices identified during the delivery of the current programme of the Rural Development Plan funding in rural Denbighshire and that those practices be utilised where appropriate during the new programming period; and</i></p> <p><i>(ii) that a report outlining external funding schemes available to local communities, as part of national or European government schemes/funds or as recompense for large infrastructure projects and how they can best be coordinated with local government funding with a view to maximising the benefits to local communities, be presented to the Committee for consideration at its meeting in February 2015</i></p>	February's meeting of the Committee was cancelled therefore the report on 'Co-ordination of community funding streams' is being presented to the Committee's present meeting
	6. Annual Report on Adult Protection in Denbighshire 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014	<p>RESOLVED :</p> <p><i>(i) subject to the above observations, to receive the report and acknowledge the important nature of a corporate approach to the Protection of Vulnerable Adults and the responsibility of the Council to view this as a key priority area and place it alongside the commitment and significance given by Denbighshire to Child Protection; and</i></p> <p><i>(ii) that the Annual Report on Adult Protection in</i></p>	

		<i>Denbighshire for the period April 2014 to March 2015 be presented to the Committee in twelve months' time, and that the report include an evaluation of the resource and financial impact of the Supreme Court's Judgement on Deprivation of Liberty on the Service and its work.</i>	Presentation of the report provisionally scheduled for the meeting on 26 November 2015
	9. Heritage Service Performance and Review (Part II)	<p>RESOLVED :</p> <p><i>(i) subject to the above observations endorsed the significant progress made by Denbighshire's Heritage Service since 2011;</i></p> <p><i>(ii) to support the general aim outlined in the service review i.e. that the Service should work towards higher levels of partnership and collaborative working; and</i></p> <p><i>(iii) to support the actions currently being pursued in order to deliver the above aim, including the investigation/concept development work that was being proposed.</i></p>	Lead Member and officers advised of the recommendations

Service:	Communities	Partnerships	Performance
Housing & Community Development - Rebecca Maxwell/Paul McGrady	Cllr Bob Murray	Cllr. Bill Tasker (tbc)	Cllr. Meirick Lloyd Davies (sub: Cllr. Dewi Owens)
Children & Family Services – Leighton Rees	Cllr Win Mullen-James	Cllr. Jeanette Chamberlain-Jones	Cllr. Arwel Roberts
Adult & Business Services – Phil Gilroy	Cllr Bob Murray	Cllr. Ann Davies	Cllr. David Simmons
Legal & Democratic Services – Gary Williams	Cllr. James Davies	Cllr. Meirick Lloyd Davies	Cllr. Dewi Owens
Business Planning & Performance – Alan Smith	Cllr. Cheryl Williams	Cllr. Richard Davies	Cllr. Dewi Owens
Education– Karen Evans	Cllr Huw Hilditch-Roberts	vacancy	Cllr Arwel Roberts
Customers and Education Support – Jackie Walley	Cllr. Carys Guy-Davies	Cllr. Pat Jones	Cllr. Richard Davies
Communication, Marketing & Leisure – Jamie Groves	Cllr Joseph Welch	Cllr. Dewi Owens	Cllr. Geraint Lloyd Williams
Finance & Assets – Paul McGrady	Cllr. Peter Evans Cllr. Huw Hilditch-Roberts (sub)	Cllr. Dewi Owens	Cllr. Colin Hughes
Highways & Public Realm – Steve Parker	Cllr. Rhys Hughes (sub: Cllr. Cefyn Williams)	Cllr. Merfyn Parry	Cllr. Meirick Lloyd Davies (sub: Cllr. Arwel Roberts)
Planning & Public Protection – Graham Boase	Cllr. Win Mullen-James (sub: Cllr. Cefyn Williams)	Cllr. Raymond Bartley	Cllr. Meirick LI Davies
Strategic Human Resources – Linda Atkin	Cllr. Huw Hilditch-Roberts	Cllr. Dewi Owens	Cllr. Richard Davies

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