

Denbighshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 16 December 2014

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1	APOLOGIES	Councillor Barbara Smith
2	DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	No declaration of personal or prejudicial interest had been raised.
3	URGENT MATTERS	No urgent matters had been raised.
4	MINUTES	RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Leader.
5	CONSULTATION - YSGOL ESGOB MORGAN	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet approves the publication of a statutory notice to carry out the following proposals –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Denbighshire County Council will close Ysgol Esgob Morgan on 31 August 2015; and • The Anglican Diocese of St. Asaph will open a new Anglican Faith Voluntary Controlled School to serve the communities of St. Asaph and the surrounding areas on 1 September 2015 on the existing site of Ysgol Esgob Morgan.
6	ADDITIONAL LICENSING SCHEME FOR HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION (HMO)	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet –</p> <p>(a) approve the re-designation of an additional licensing scheme for Housing in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) within Rhyl for a further 5 years as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;</p> <p>(b) approve the Conditions to be imposed as part of an “Additional” and “Mandatory” Licensing Scheme as detailed in Appendix 2 to the report;</p> <p>(c) approve the Fees to be applied to an “Additional” and “Mandatory” Licensing Scheme as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, and</p>

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		<i>(d) supports the implementation date to be no later than 1 April 2015 which complies with the minimum 3 month statutory period between an approved designate and implementation.</i>
7	VARIATION OF COUNCIL HOUSING TENANCY AGREEMENTS	RESOLVED that Cabinet adopts the revised final version of the Council House Tenancy Agreement with Final Notice of Variation as detailed within the report.
8	DISAGGREGATING SERVICE CHARGES FOR COUNCIL TENANTS	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet agrees the key principles that will determine how service charges will be calculated and implemented from rents from April 2015 onwards as detailed within the report, specifically to –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adopt a Variable Charge Policy for apportionment and recovery to all Tenants who receive services, and • that individual rents are reduced at year one implementation by the amount of chargeable services that tenants receive, and <p>that Cabinet notes a further paper will be considered on the final charges as part of the council's annual council house rent setting process in February 2015.</p>
9	CORPORATE PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT (Q2 2014 - 15)	RESOLVED that Cabinet notes progress made in delivering the Corporate Plan.
10	FINANCE REPORT	<p>RESOLVED that Cabinet –</p> <p><i>(a) notes the budgets set for 2014/15 and progress against the agreed budget strategy;</i></p> <p><i>(b) approves the transfer of £20k to the Coroner Service Reserve, and</i></p>

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		(c) <i>that the Council write to all Assembly Members in North Wales to ask for their position on the reduction in highway funding for Denbighshire and the allocation of funding for the M4 improvements.</i>
11	CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME	RESOLVED that Cabinet's Forward Work Programme be noted.
12	THE FUTURE OF IN-HOUSE SOCIAL CARE SERVICES	<p>RESOLVED Cabinet agrees that –</p> <p>(a) <i>in accordance with the appropriate statutory framework there be consultation with each individual service user and their family in respect of the proposals referred to in the report to include an assessment of their needs and the availability of suitable alternative provision to meet those needs;</i></p> <p>(b) <i>there be a wider public consultation exercise on the future modernisation of social services;</i></p> <p>(c) <i>a report/reports on the results of the consultations referred to in (a) and (b) above be presented to the Task and Finish Group prior to it being presented to Cabinet with an options appraisal for each of the services, and</i></p> <p>(d) <i>Cabinet confirms that no individual service user will be moved unless suitable alternative provision is identified.</i></p>
13	MORFA LODGE, ABERGELE ROAD, RHUDDLAN AND LAND AT ABERGELE ROAD, RHUDDLAN	RESOLVED that Cabinet approves the declaration of Morfa Lodge Farm, and land at Abergele Road (as edged red on Appendix A attached to the report) as surplus to requirements and approves the disposal of the farm on the open market by auction.