

To: Members of the Communities Scrutiny Committee

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** to be held at **10.00 am** on **THURSDAY**, **9 MAY 2019** in **CONFERENCE ROOM 1A**, **COUNTY HALL**, **RUTHIN**.

Date:

Yours sincerely

G. Williams Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS A BRIEFING FOR ALL MEMBERS AT 9:15 A.M IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

AGENDA

PART 1 - THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS PART OF THE MEETING

1 APOLOGIES

2 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** (Pages 5 - 6)

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 (Pages 7 - 16)

To receive the minutes of the Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 14 March 2019 (copy enclosed).

DENBIGHSHIRE'S LEARNER TRANSPORT POLICY (Pages 17 - 34) 5

To consider a report by the Education Resources and Planning Manager (copy enclosed) which seeks the Committee to discuss potential steps for the Council to consider in relation to the non-statutory transport which it presently provides

10.05am - 10.45am

6 **IMPACT OF THE CLOSURE OF YSGOL RHEWL** (Pages 35 - 44)

To consider a report by the Principal Manager – Education Support (copy enclosed) which outlines the support provided to Ysgol Rhewl during the closure process and the feedback from stakeholders on the support received

10.45am - 11.15am

BREAK 11.15am - 11.30am

7 **UNIVERSAL CREDIT** (Pages 45 - 62)

To consider a report by the Contracts and Performance Project Manager – Finance (copy enclosed) which outlines the impact to date of Universal Credit (UC) on Council services and the county's residents. The report also assesses the effectiveness of mitigation measures to date and outlines plans for future impact mitigation measures

11.30am – 12.15pm

8 **SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 63 - 82)

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.

12.15pm – 12.25pm

9 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

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

12.25pm – 12.30pm

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Brian Blakeley Meirick Davies Rachel Flynn Tina Jones Merfyn Parry Anton Sampson Glenn Swingler Andrew Thomas Cheryl Williams

Voting Co-opted Members for Education (Agenda Item No. 5 and 6 only)

Kathleen Jones David Lloyd Neil Roberts

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