

To: Members of the Partnerships
Scrutiny Committee

Date: 10 September 2021

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** to be held at **10.00 am** on **THURSDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2021** in **BY VIDEO CONFERENCE**.

Yours sincerely

G. Williams
Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 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.

3 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS (Pages 5 - 6)

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

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (Pages 7 - 12)

To receive the minutes of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 8 July 2021 (copy attached).

10:05 – 10:10

5 DENBIGHSHIRE VOLUNTARY SERVICES COUNCIL (DVSC)

To receive a presentation from the Chief Executive of Denbighshire Voluntary Services Council (DVSC) outlining:

- (i) his vision for the organisation
- (ii) the working relationship between Denbighshire County Council and DVSC, how both organisations worked together during the COVID-19 pandemic and proposals for future working arrangements; and
- (iii) how DVSC's works with voluntary organisations across the county, prioritises the allocation of funding to voluntary groups and evaluates the effectiveness of the use of the funding allocated.

10:10: - 11:00

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The Committee will discuss the following item of business, business item number 6, in its capacity as the Council's designated Crime & Disorder Scrutiny Committee in accordance with the Police & Justice Act 2006 ss. 19 and 20.

6 COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (Pages 13 - 30)

To consider a report from the Community Safety Manager (copy attached) which seeks the Committee's observations on the Joint Community Safety Partnership's achievement in delivering its 2020/21 action plan and its progress to date in delivering its action plan for 2021/22.

11:15 – 11:45

7 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 31 - 56)

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.

11:45 – 12:00

8 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

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

12:00 – 12:15

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Councillor Jeanette Chamberlain-
Jones (Chair)

Councillor Emrys Wynne (Vice-Chair)

Joan Butterfield
Ann Davies
Gareth Davies
Rachel Flynn
Pat Jones

Christine Marston
Melvyn Mile
Rhys Thomas
David Williams

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a *member/co-opted member of
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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'.

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PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee held in by video conference on Thursday, 8 July 2021 at 10.00 am.

PRESENT

Councillors Joan Butterfield, Jeanette Chamberlain-Jones (Chair), Ann Davies, Gareth Davies, Hugh Irving, Pat Jones, Christine Marston, Melvyn Mile, Rhys Thomas, David Williams and Emrys Wynne (Vice-Chair)

Also in attendance: Councillor Bobby Feeley – Lead Member for Well-being and Independence.

Observer: Councillor Tony Thomas.

ALSO PRESENT

Corporate Director: Communities (NS), Head of Community Support Services (PG), Team Manager – Safeguarding (NT), Scrutiny Coordinator (RhE) and Committee Administrators (RTJ, KJ and SJ).

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board representatives in attendance -

Dr Gary Francis, Secondary Care Medical Director (Interim)
Helen Wilkinson, Strategic Manager for Cardiac Services

1 APOLOGIES

Councillor Hugh Irving had informed the Chair that he would be late joining the meeting, due to a prior engagement.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Ann Davies declared a personal interest agenda item 5 as a relative worked for the Health Board.

Councillor Joan Butterfield declared a personal interest in agenda item 6 as a relative worked for Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW).

3 URGENT MATTERS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

No urgent matters had been raised with the Chair.

Councillor Rhys Thomas queried with the Chair why the matter of holding pre-meetings which he had raised at the last meeting had not been referenced as an Urgent Matter. The Scrutiny Co-ordinator advised that items raised under 'Under Matters' were defined in legislation and therefore had to conform with the legal definition to be transacted under 'Urgent Matters'. Councillor Thomas was referred

to item 7 on the minutes of the last meeting which referred to the questions raised by him at the meeting and the answers given.

With regards to the possibility of pre meetings being held again. The Chair responded that in accordance with the advice given at the previous meeting she felt that the business on the current meeting agenda did not merit the holding of a pre-meeting of the Committee and no member had contacted her to request a pre meeting. However, if there was a future business agenda which required a pre meeting one would be arranged. If a member felt that a pre-meeting would be beneficial they should contact the Chair as soon as possible with a request for one to be held.

4 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 20 May 2021 were submitted.

Resolved: - that the minutes of the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 20 May 2021 be approved as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

5 BETSI CADWALADR UNIVERSITY HEALTH BOARD HEART FAILURE SERVICES IN DENBIGHSHIRE AND ITS IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S SOCIAL CARE SERVICES

Dr Gary Francis, Secondary Care Medical Director (Interim) introduced the joint report prepared by Phil Gilroy and Helen Wilkinson (previously circulated) which provided information on the current status of the Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board (BCUHB) Heart Failure Services provided in Denbighshire and across North Wales.

Dr Francis explained that historically some aspects of BCUHB Heart Failure Services had been subject to temporary funding streams; this had caused some uncertainty for the public around the future provision of these services and had resulted in the request for the Services' future viability and the potential impact of their withdrawal on the Council's social care services to be examined by Scrutiny. Dr Francis confirmed that the Health Board had secured funding for heart failure services from April 2020 for the foreseeable future.

BCUHB fully recognised the value of the Heart Failure Services across North Wales, and would continue to support the development of them with no plans to reduce the current provision. The Health Board recognised the key role fulfilled by community based health services in supporting health and well-being across the region, and viewed them as an integral part of their service delivery. It also acknowledged the need to sufficiently fund such services and provide them with short to medium term assurances that funding would be provided.

The Committee discussed the following points in more detail –

- The challenges posed by community based caring, it was queried whether more information could be shared with carers when patients were discharged from hospitals. BCUHB acknowledged the challenges in delivering care in the community. It was currently working on improvements with community care and was keen to hear from carers on how services could be improved.
- The Health Board acknowledged that there were some instances of delayed hospital discharges, but it was working hard to address any delays but the utmost priority would be to ensure the safety and well-being of the patient/individual concerned.
- The amount of funding available for the Heart Failure Service was queried and how long would the funding be available. BCUHB representatives stated that the funding would be available as long as the services provided met the needs of the community and were the best solutions available to deliver those services in a viable way. Medical advancements may in future require service provision and delivery methods to be reviewed and amended.

The Chair thanked representatives from BCUHB for attending. She confirmed that the details provided in the report and communicated by Health Board representatives at the meeting had alleviated concerns which were previously raised when the matter was requested to be scrutinised.

The Committee:

Resolved: - subject to the above observations to receive the information provided and

- (i) welcome the reassurances given by Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board in relation to current and medium term funding for Heart Failure Services in Denbighshire; and***
- (ii) the Health Board's recognition of the importance of community based health services and the need to adequately fund and support them.***

6 ANNUAL REPORT ON SAFEGUARDING ADULTS IN DENBIGHSHIRE 1ST APRIL 2020 - 31ST MARCH 2021

The Lead Member for Well-being and Independence and the Head of Community Support Services, presented the report (previously circulated) which aimed to provide members with an overview of the impact of Local Safeguarding arrangements and practice. The report also sought the Committee to review progress in this key area of work over the last twelve months through examination of the data submitted by the Local Authority to the Welsh Government Data Unit.

Despite the pressures caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the restrictions placed upon individuals and organisations by the crisis the Council's performance in relation to safeguarding adults had remained strong, with improvements being realised in a number of areas, such as performance against the Welsh Government performance indicator on enquiries completed within 7 working days.

Overall there has been a significant reduction (40%) in numbers of safeguarding reports received in comparison to the same period the previous year. However

there has been an increase in the number of telephone calls to the Safeguarding team to discuss safeguarding issues. This provided some reassurance that it remained very much in focus for providers and other agencies despite the reduction in the number of reports

Although fewer reports have been received during the 2020-21 year, the Council had not seen an increase in cases needing to progress to strategy meetings, which appeared to be following the trends of recent years. Section 126 enquiries had become more embedded in safeguarding practice across all agencies and the Council continued to see only those more serious allegations of abuse or neglect progressing through to strategy meetings. The preventative actions towards reducing further risk of harm continued to be at the forefront of the enquiry stage, with the emphasis on the individual's personal outcomes being at the centre of the safeguarding process.

The Council had continued to maintain its performance in relation The to the Welsh Government performance indicator, with 99% of enquires completed within the 7 working day timescale for 2020/2021.

The Committee discussed the following points in more detail –

- whether data was available for the number of proven safeguarding complaints, as it was only the number of alleged incidents that were referenced within the report. Due to technical connection issues, officers agreed to provide the data to members in writing, they also confirmed that the data on the number of substantiated allegations would be included in future Safeguarding reports.
- Confirmation was provided that there had been a 40% reduction in people choosing to reside in care homes during the Coronavirus pandemic. However, there had been a significant increase in the number of enquiries received by the Single Point of Access (SPoA) Service during the same period.
- Installation of CCTV equipment in residents' care home bedrooms would be a matter of personal choice for the individual or his/her family. The Council could not install CCTV surveillance equipment in people's private rooms.
- Quality of care and safeguarding were two separate matters. Whilst there may be concerns regarding the quality of care in an establishment that in itself may not meet the criteria or statutory threshold to instigate a Safeguarding investigation.
- Any individual had the right to raise safeguarding issues and these could be raised with a number of different individuals or organisations. They would all eventually be examined by the Council's Corporate Safeguarding Panel.
- The provision of an Annual Safeguarding Adults Report was a statutory requirement for all local authorities in Wales. It was a way of providing assurances to residents that the safety of the county's vulnerable residents was regarded as a priority and to provide assurances that all allegations or concerns were thoroughly investigated.

At the conclusion of the discussion the Committee:

Resolved: - *subject to the above observations and the provision of the additional information and data requested during the course of the discussion, to acknowledge the importance of a corporate approach to the safeguarding of adults at risk and the responsibility of the Council to view this as a key priority area.*

7 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Scrutiny Coordinator submitted a report (previously circulated) seeking members' review of the Committee's work programme and provided an update on relevant issues.

- Confirmation was still awaited from the Health Board on when its representatives would be in a position to attend a meeting to discuss its plans for services in Denbighshire. The Health Board was awaiting further information from the Welsh Government in relation to the North Denbighshire Community Hospital project.
- 16 September 2021 meeting - the Community Safety Partnership's Annual Report would be available for scrutiny. In addition, Denbighshire Voluntary Services Council (DVSC) had a newly appointed Chief Executive who had indicated that he would welcome the opportunity to discuss with the Committee his vision and plans for DVSC along with any future working opportunities with the Council.
- The Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group (SCVCG) had indicated that it wished the Committee to discuss National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR) and their potential impact on the viability of town centre retail. Further information was currently being sourced in relation to this topic before it would be scheduled into the Committee's forward work programme.

The Committee:

Resolved: - *subject to the above comments and inclusions to confirm the Committee's forward work programme.*

8 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

The following Committee representatives on various Boards and Groups, provided an update on recent meetings which they had attended:

- Councillor Jeanette Chamberlain-Jones had attended the Communities and Customers Service challenge meeting where concerns on the quality of Denbighshire's housing stock had been raised. Officers had agreed to investigate the concerns and address them. They had also advised that due to COVID-19 restrictions Housing Officers had been unable to undertake routine inspection visits to the housing stock.
- Councillor Hugh Irving and Councillor Melvyn Mile had attended the Business Improvement and Modernisation service challenge meeting. They confirmed that they would send a list of the findings to the Scrutiny Co-ordinator for circulation.

- Councillor Irving had also attended the Queen's Building Project Working Group. Due to the sensitive nature of the matters discussed he would query at a future meeting what information he could share with other committees.

. The Committee:

Resolved: to receive and note the information updates received from Committee representatives on various Boards and Groups.

Meeting concluded at 11.25am

Report to	Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Date of meeting	16th September 2021
Lead Member / Officer	Lead Member for Planning, Public Protection and Safer Communities/ Head of Business Improvement and Modernisation.
Report author	Sian Taylor Community Safety Manager
Title	Community Safety Partnership Annual Update for 2020-2021

1. What is the report about?

- 1.1 The Community Safety Partnership (CSP) activity and performance report is based on the joint partnership priorities as identified in the North Wales audit of crime that is conducted annually. The Police and Crime Commissioner agrees the priorities and then draws up an action plan to be delivered locally that is monitored by the Safer North Wales Partnership Board. Locally we deliver this action plan by analysing what is happening in our local area and implementing local solutions.

2. What is the reason for making this report?

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee of the activity of the Joint Community Safety Partnership (CSP) from April 2020- March 2021.

3. What are the Recommendations?

- 3.1 That Partnerships Scrutiny Committee considers and comments on the contents of the attached performance and statistical update for 2020-2021.

4. Report details

4.1 CSP's were created in 1998 to develop and implement Strategies and action plans to reduce crime and disorder. Each Authority had its own CSP. Some 13 years ago Conwy County Borough Council (CCBC) and Denbighshire County Council (DCC) merged their Community Safety teams into a single team, with CCBC being the main employer. Business Improvement and Modernisation take the lead for managing the Community Safety Partnership in Denbighshire.

4.2 The Community Safety Partnership meeting regime consists of:

- Strategic Steering Group – which meets three times a year
- Anti-social Behaviour Tasking Group – held every month and attended by Senior Enforcement Officers and housing
- Task and finish groups as and when required

4.3 The three priority areas for 2020-2021 were as follows:

Priority area 1- Work in Partnership to Reduce Crime and Disorder

- Reduce victim based crime
- Reduce Anti Social Behaviour (ASB)
- Support vulnerable people to prevent them becoming victims of crime
- Reduce repeat incidents of victim based crime and ASB for victims and perpetrators
- Work with the Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) to manage the levels of repeat victims of Domestic Abuse
- Deal effectively with high risk cases of Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence
- Increase the confidence in reporting Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence
- Increase awareness amongst young people of sexual violence

Priority area 2- Work in Partnership to Reduce reoffending- National/ Regional Priority.

- Adult reoffending (18+)
- Children and young people reoffending (12-17)

Priority area 3- Local priorities

- Reduce crime linked to licensed premises and taxis
- Improve confidence in reporting Antisocial Behaviour to the Local Authority
- Deal with any ASB hotspot areas in partnership with others
- Raise awareness locally of emerging crime issues

4.4 Each Priority area has a number of performance indicators assigned to it to monitor progress and crime trends. We review all of the statistics on a quarterly basis at the Strategic Steering Group and monthly at a local area and act on any emerging issues.

4.5 Please see attached the Community Safety Partnership performance and Statistical report for 2020-2021 (**Appendix 1**)

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities

5.1 Where relevant, the work of the Community Safety Partnership is aligned to the Community Resilience Priority.

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

6.1 The partnership projects within the Action Plan are fully grant funded, however each service will allocate a certain amount of funding which will directly support the outcomes for reducing crime in Denbighshire.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Well-being Impact Assessment?

7.1 Not required.

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

8.1 The CSP consulted on the 2019-2021 Activity Plans via all Responsible Authorities (Local Authority, North Wales Fire and Rescue Service, North Wales Police, Wales Probation and BCUHB).

8.2 The CSP report annually to the Council's Partnerships Scrutiny Committee.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

It is important that the cost of delivering the Community Safety Action Plan continues to be contained within the external funding and budgets available.

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

10.1 That information coming into and out of the Local Authority is appropriately shared and actioned. This is now managed via a bi-monthly community safety report to the Strategic Leadership Team (SLT) and by establishing a quarterly meeting of senior officers who attend the Regional Boards.

11. Power to make the decision

- Crime and Disorder Act 1998
- Police Reform Act 2002
- Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000
- Section 19 and 20 of the Police and Justice Act
- Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009
- Section 7.15.2 of the Council's Constitution stipulates that Partnerships Scrutiny Committee as the Council's designated Crime and Disorder Committee has a duty to ensure that the Council's interests, resources and priorities are reflected in the work of the CSP , in accordance with ss19 and 20 of the Police and Justice Act 2006.

Contact Officer:

Sian Taylor

Community Safety Partnership Manager



Community Safety Partnership

Performance report for 2020-2021 for Denbighshire

Overall Community Safety plan Performance summary

Of the three main priority areas of work for the Community Safety Partnership all three areas at the end of March 2021 one was Acceptable and two Good. We have seen an increase in the numbers of domestic abuse and Stalking however we have seen reductions in all of the other types of crimes we are required to monitor when compared to the year before. This however is in a year when nothing was normal.

Outcome and Performance summary

Here is a summary position for each Partnership Priority in 2020- March 2021.

Key

The Colours

Colour	Measure Status
Green	Excellent
Yellow	Good
Orange	Acceptable
Red	Priority for improvement
Grey	No Data Count

Priority	Activity Description	Performance Status	Project/ activity Progress
Priority 1 Reduce Crime and Disorder in the area by working in partnership.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce victim based crime • Reduce Antisocial Behaviour • Support vulnerable people to prevent them becoming victims of crime • Reduce repeat incidents of victim based crime and ASB for victims and perpetrators • Deal effectively with high risk cases of Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence • Increase the confidence in reporting Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence • Increase awareness amongst young people of sexual violence • Work with the Multi-agency risk assessment Conference to manage all levels of repeat victims of domestic abuse 	Acceptable	Good
Priority2 Reduce Reoffending	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult reoffending • Children and young people reoffending 	Good	Good
Priority 3 Local priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work collectively to manage ASB and the response to ASB locally. 	Good	Good

Priority 1- Reduce Crime and Disorder in Denbighshire by working in partnership

Performance status- Acceptable

Overall the performance for the Partnership is **Acceptable** due to the continued increased numbers of victims of domestic abuse and stalking and harassment. The status remain the same as 2019-2020

This report covers the main lockdown periods so our business model had to change. There was a great push from the Welsh Government for us to allocate extra funding for third sector domestic abuse services and for those fleeing during the lockdown for the essentials to be provided (this included IT equipment for access to online learning for young children, clothing and food).

During the main part of the pandemic we allocate regionally over £400,000 to essential services and additional dispersed accommodation for those fleeing violent situations.

Some of the business as usual continued and it was as follows;

- Raising awareness of victim based crimes via social media, attending events and making sure information is available on our websites.
- Home and business surveys carried out by crime reduction advisors and Police Community Support Officers to help prevent burglaries. The number of burglaries in homes reduced during the pandemic probably due to the fact that people were actually in their homes all of the time.
- We provided 56 homes with target hardening equipment and crime prevention advice (Locks/door bars etc.)
- We participated in the monthly Multiagency Risk Assessment meeting called MARAC's online where victims of domestic abuse are discussed and where action plans for assistance are put in place.
- Denbighshire managed to send out numerous press releases led by our Lead Member Councillor Mark and changed the colour of the Pont y Ddraig Bridge to signify the support of the Local Authority on White Ribbon day on the 25th of November 2020. The International day is dedicated to raising awareness of domestic abuse and violence against women and girls.
- We promoted the 'Live fear free All Wales helpline' received 210 calls from Denbighshire residents. We have been promoting the helpline number at every opportunity.

Project/activity update – Good

We, as a Partnership developed a temporary work plan for 2020-2021 where we had additional emerging issues due to the pandemic to deal with. They included community tensions, Black Lives matter events to manage and provided assistance to third sector domestic abuse services and local drug and alcohol services.

Regional meetings continued online discussing the Modern Day Slavery, County Lines, Integrated Offender Management and Area Planning Board meetings this has been invaluable as partner activity has improved as a result and the communication lines are finally improving and reducing the chance of duplication.

The main community safety boards have all been replaced as we mentioned last year with senior officers from Denbighshire now in attendance at those boards. We now hold quarterly meetings internally with the attendees of those boards so that information can be shared and Denbighshire’s position if one is required is agreed by senior officers.

Strategic Partnership	Senior Officer	Deputy	Elected Member
Safer NW Partnership Board	Graham Boase	Emlyn Jones	Cllr Mark Young (Chair)
Vulnerable & Exploitation Board	Phil Gilroy	Rhian Morlle	
Criminal Justice Board	Rhian Morlle		
Area Planning Board for Substance misuse	Nicola Stubbins	Alaw Pierce	
CONTEST Counter Terrorism Board	Graham Boase	Alan Smith	

The New Board attendees are as follows:

Many things which require us to do face to face engagement we managed to do a work around utilising online technology, but we will be doing additional work on County Lines and Modern Slavery and also the adverse childhood experiences programme over the next few months. This will be done in conjunction with the Regional Safeguarding Board and new community safety boards.

Priority 2- Reducing reoffending

Performance status- Good

Overall the performance for the partnership is **Good**

In 2020-2021 we have seen reductions in adult offending and Youth Offending hence the status being good. This however was not a normal year.

The work of the partnership is as follows:

- Local Integrated offender management programmes continues remotely initially and have managed adult offender and those young people transitioning between childhood and adulthood.
- We continued to promote community resolutions and restorative justice when solving minor issues, some of this work was online and the victims of crime found
- We attended the quarterly multiagency online Prevent and Deter meetings where we discuss those young people coming to the attention of the Police and Youth Justice Service so that a plan of support can be put in place to help prevent further offending.
- We have attended 3 restorative justice conferences where we have acted as the critical friend in the process.
- We are currently working in partnership to identify repeat antisocial behaviour youth offenders as this is one of the common denominators in issues we have with ASB in communities.

Project /activity update- Good

The Community Safety Partnership continued to support the multiagency attendance at the Integrated Offender Management programme and assisting with the actions of that programme. We will continue to assist with the programme, which will also address Organised Crime Groups and County Lines work.

We are now trying more targeted work with young offenders as the numbers are relatively small and we think we can have an impact of diverting the offending behaviour. This work will be ongoing.

Priority 3- Local Priorities

Performance Status- Good

Overall performance of the partnership is **Good**

In 2020-2021 we have seen a slight increase in the number of reports of antisocial behaviour and repeat victims of ASB. Many of the issues were Neighbour disputes during the lockdowns. The work of the partnership was as follows:

- Establishing local multiagency groups in Denbighshire to manage repeat incidents of ASB
- Promoting the use of community resolutions to resolve repeat incidents of antisocial behaviour
- Using, when appropriate community protection notices / Public Space Protection Orders
- Control of licenced premises and enforcement and monitoring of taxi licences undertaken by the licensing department. All of this work was slightly different when lockdown first hit.
- Operations targeting Car washes under modern day slavery action plans (This work continued in March 2021)
- Sharing information about online fraud utilising National campaigns especially given the reliance on online platforms for everything.
- Community Tension Monitoring this included hate crime monitoring
- Monitoring of protests and vigils
- Applying for additional third sector funding for additional domestic abuse services locally.

Project/activity update- Good

We will continue to support the monthly Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) tasking meeting which monitors repeat incidents of ASB and provides a multi-agency response to issues raised as well as taking part in restorative justice conferences and promoting community resolutions and mediation.

We have set up an internal process in Denbighshire to manage/monitor repeat ASB locations for those issues causing most concern in our community. We also set up multiagency meetings to manage any repeat incidents of ASB. Reporting corporately is done via the bi-monthly community safety reporting to SLT and quarterly via the senior officers meeting held to discuss Community Safety and safeguarding issues raised locally in Denbighshire,

We will participate in further raising awareness of Domestic Abuse, Modern Slavery and County Lines locally, the direction for this work will now come from the newly established Regional Vulnerability and Exploitation board.

Internally the corporate priority on domestic abuse has been split into specific work areas including; Communications internally and externally, training and early intervention. This will complement the work of the Regional Vulnerabilities Board but will provide a specific focus for us locally.

CSP Statistical Analysis for the year April 2020-March 2021

Denbighshire and Conwy

The Conwy and Denbighshire priority work areas linked to the Police and Crime Commissioners Plan and The Safer North Wales Partnership Board community safety agenda are:

- 1. Reduce Victim Based Crime (Acquisitive Crimes Only)**
 - Level of victim based crime
 - Level of residential burglary
 - Number of repeat victims of crime
- 2. Reduce Antisocial Behaviour (ASB)**
 - Level of Antisocial Behaviour
 - Number of repeat victims of ASB Personal
- 3. Supporting vulnerable people to prevent them from becoming victims of crime**
 - Number of repeat victims of crime
 - Number of recorded Modern Day Slavery cases
 - Number of reported Hate Crimes including hate type
- 4. Increase confidence in reporting domestic abuse/ Work with MARAC to manage the levels of repeat victims of Domestic Abuse (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conferences)**
 - Level of Domestic abuse
 - Level of high risk domestic abuse (MARAC cases)
 - Number of repeat victims of Domestic Abuse
 - Number of repeat offenders of Domestic Abuse
- 5. Increase confidence in reporting sexual violence / increase awareness amongst young people of sexual violence**
 - Level of sexual offences
 - Number of CSE offences
- 6. Additional data: Reduce reoffending (for victims and offenders)**
 - Number of repeat offenders of crime – Aged 18+ (3 or more in 12 months)
 - Number of repeat offenders of crime – Aged 12-17 (3 or more in 12 months)

Crime Statistics from 2019-2020 and 2020- March 2021

Denbighshire - Crime & Incident Data: 01/04/2020 – 31/03/2021	Fiscal Year		Change
	2019/20	2020/21	
	(LYTD)	(YTD)	
All Victim Based Crime	9,342	7,752	-17.0%
Violence with injury	1,256	922	-26.6%
Violence without injury	2,193	1,823	-16.9%
Stalking & Harassment	1,259	1,497	18.9%
Sexual offences	435	310	-28.7%
Burglary Residential	333	229	-31.2%
Burglary - Business and Community	168	84	-50.0%
Robbery	61	28	-54.1%
Vehicle Crime	418	121	-71.1%
Theft and Handling	1,572	1,029	-34.5%
Criminal Damage & Arson	1,216	849	-30.2%
Domestic Crime	1,871	2,122	13.4%
Anti-Social Behaviour	2,322	2,404	3.5%

Conwy's figures- comparison for Members as previously requested

Conwy - Crime & Incident Data: 01/04/2020 – 31/03/2021	Fiscal Year		Change
	2019/20	2020/21	
	(LYTD)	(YTD)	
All Victim Based Crime	9,065	8,583	-5.3%
Violence with injury	1,222	1,035	-15.3%
Violence without injury	2,070	1,851	-10.6%
Stalking & Harassment	1,321	1,708	29.3%
Sexual offences	443	413	-6.8%
Burglary Residential	372	185	-50.3%
Burglary - Business and Community	215	92	-57.2%
Robbery	45	30	-33.3%
Vehicle Crime	359	196	-45.4%
Theft and Handling	1,512	1,095	-27.6%
Criminal Damage & Arson	1,330	1,086	-18.3%
Domestic Crime	1,957	2,255	15.2%
Anti-Social Behaviour	3,320	3,323	0.1%

Additional in-depth Analysis on the categories that have seen increases

Stalking and harassment

The stalking and harassment category is made of the following crimes

- Harassment
- Racially or religiously aggravated Harassment
- Stalking Online
- Malicious Communications
- Controlling or coercive behaviour

Stalking online has seen the biggest increase. The other crimes are made up of people using the online social media information to turn up at locations and also people turning up at the workplace of the victim.

Online stalking can mean constantly sending discrete messages, making inappropriate comments to photographs online, gathering personal information and using that information to turn up at locations where the victim happens to be and this happening on a on a regular basis which makes the victim feel uncomfortable.

When this is reported to the police the victim is advised how to make their social media accounts restricted/ private to reduce the chance of the person gathering information and the person is spoken to and warned initially. According to police colleagues this action usually works, with only a small number continuing to online stalk.

Controlling behaviour has been added to the stalking and harassment category. This is primarily behaviour in relationships where one partner is accused of controlling behaviour.

Local Domestic Abuse Services in Denbighshire

Referrals to the third sector domestic abuse services in Denbighshire over the last 12 months when compared the previous 12 months. (Domestic Abuse Service Unit (DASU) the main provider of services)

April-Dec 2019: 401 referrals for support

April-Dec 2020: 812 referrals for support

This is an increase of 102% of referrals when comparing both years in Denbighshire. Initially at the start of the pandemic, there was a decrease in referrals, but this was to do with the fact that victims were at home with the perpetrator and therefore their space to action support was very limited. But since July 2020 there has been a major increase in the amount of people wanting support.

The support needed following COVID was more 'complex' due to an increase in isolation and lack of social interaction and support for survivors and their children. The support sessions given are longer and more frequent since the outbreak, and the services provided have been adapted to offer support as flexible as possible to meet the demand.

The referrals come from a range of routes:

Police, Housing, Health, Social Services, Probation, Mental health services, Substance misuse and Citizens Advice Bureau

Other specialist services including the Safer Lives helpline & Victims Hub provided by Victim support.

Most referrals come via self-referral. Many of victims are too scared to contact the police and many of them have not had any police involvement. They are coming to the service wanting options and emotional support as well as practical support with emergency provisions such as food, clothing, target hardening etc. Usually only 10-15% of referrals are high risk that most of the time have police involvement with the rest of the referrals being standard and medium. DASU encourage contacting the police and work closely with the Domestic Abuse officers in the police.

Number of calls to the National Live Fear Free Helpline (North-Wales figures only available)

Over the last 12 months there has been a 27% increase in call to the helpline from North Wales. The majority of call come directly from third sector services supporting victims.

Victim support Help line referrals

The number of specific Domestic Abuse calls received by Victim support in North Wales is 520 when compared to 470 the year before.

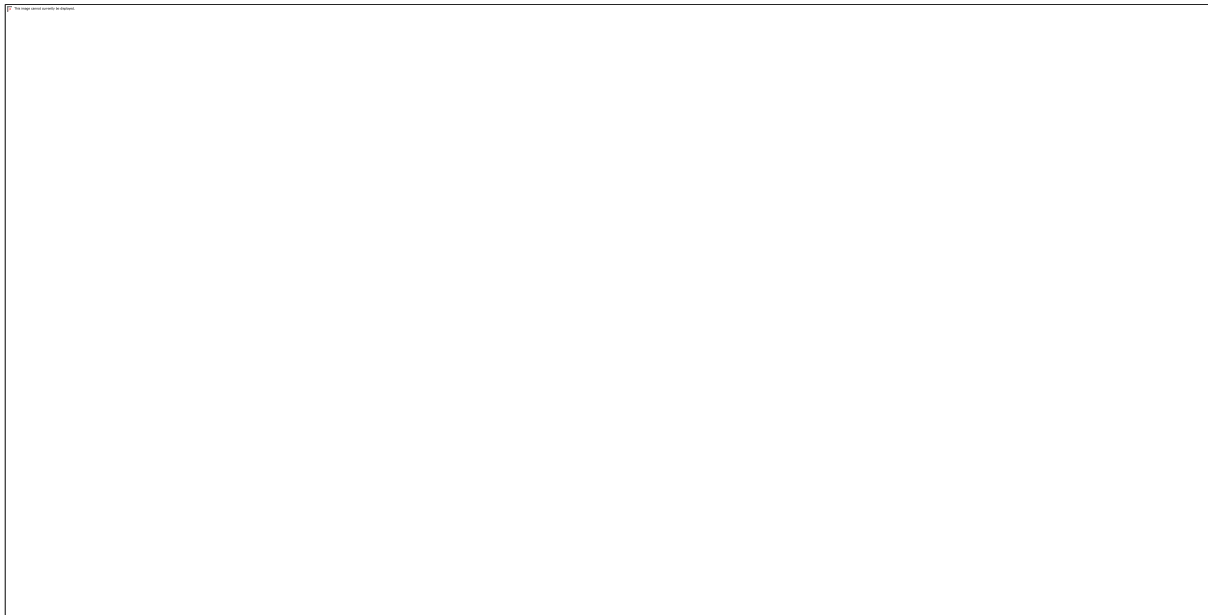
Cyber crime

With regards to Cybercrime stats for Denbighshire, we have searched for offences which have been tagged as either *Cyber-dependent* or *Cyber-enabled*, the definitions of which are below:

- **Cyber Dependent Crimes** - where a digital system is the target as well as the means of attack. These include attacks on computer systems to disrupt IT infrastructure, and stealing data over a network using malware. The purpose of the data theft is usually to commit further crime.
- **Cyber Enabled Crimes** - 'existing' crimes that have been transformed in scale or form by their use of the internet. For example, the use of the internet to facilitate drug dealing, people smuggling and many other 'traditional' crime types. The growth of the internet has allowed these crimes to be carried out on an industrial scale.

The data for Denbighshire shows that in the 2019 calendar year there were 191 *Cyber-dependent* or *Cyber-enabled* offences recorded. In 2020, this number rose by 32.0% to 252 offences.

The table below shows the top 15 offence types in Denbighshire which have been tagged as *Cyber-dependent* or *Cyber-enabled* in 2019 and 2020:



Work to do in Denbighshire 2021-2022

As you can see above there is a great deal of work to be done. We will continue to work regionally to access additional funding for third sector domestic abuse services and to make sure the support services we have are as robust as they can be to cope with the increases we are seeing.

The Domestic Abuse corporate priority in Denbighshire will ensure that our teams are fully up to date with how to report incidents or to signpost to professional services. We will play our part locally in promoting support services and helplines and we will continue with our support to our staff by implementing our robust domestic abuse policy. We will be supporting the International day of raising awareness of domestic abuse in Denbighshire on the 25th of November.

With Cyber-Crime we have a great deal of work to do in raising awareness of scams with our Trading Standards colleagues and linking in the multiple networks in Denbighshire to promote internet safety and making people aware of scams. The online stalking problem we have will also be targeted by raising awareness and encouraging reporting.

We will continue with our problem solving approach to antisocial behaviour. It would appear from the number of multiagency meetings we have arranged and participated in that this is the best way to deal with repeat incidents is to bring everyone together and update those suffering from ASB on a regular basis to ensure they are consulted and updated.

We are anticipating a rise in all crime areas over the next few months but will be using the data from 2019 as comparison baseline data as the data from 2020-2021 is not that of a normal year due to most places being closed or restrictions in place.

We will be assisting the Rural crime Team with the promotion of crime prevention measures and the use of smartwater a bespoke DNA address identification liquid for high value farm items such as quad bikes.

Report to	Partnerships Scrutiny Committee
Date of meeting	16 September 2021
Lead Officer	Rhian Evans, Scrutiny Co-ordinator
Report author	Rhian Evans, Scrutiny Co-ordinator
Title	Scrutiny Work Programme

1. What is the report about?

The report seeks Partnerships Scrutiny Committee to review its draft forward work programme. In doing so the Committee is asked to reflect on the implications of the focus on business critical operations during the emergency phase of the COVID -19 pandemic and the programmes of work underway or being planned under the recovery phase, whilst also having regard to items of business already on its forward work programme prior to the pandemic.

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 identifies key messages and themes from the current meeting which it wishes to publicise via the press and/or social media.

4. Report details

- 4.1 Section 7 of Denbighshire County Council's Constitution sets out each Scrutiny Committee's terms of reference, functions and membership, as well as the rules of procedure and debate.
- 4.2 The Constitution stipulates that the Council's scrutiny committees must set, and regularly 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 Audit Wales (AW) 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. From now on 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. AW 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) 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 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 reverse side of the 'Member Proposal Form' at Appendix 2);

- Urgent, unforeseen or high priority issues; and
- Supporting the Council's recovery work in relation to the effects of the COVID-19 crisis on Council services, the local economy and the county's communities

4.6 Scrutiny Proposal Forms

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.

- 4.7 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 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). No items should be included on a forward work programme without a 'scrutiny proposal form' being completed and accepted for inclusion by the Committee or the SCVCG. Assistance with their completion is available from the Scrutiny Co-ordinator.

Cabinet Forward Work Programme

- 4.8 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

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

Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group

- 5.1 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 1 July 2021. At that meeting the Group requested the Committee to consider the matter of 'Post COVID-19 Recovery of Town Centres and National Non-Domestic Rates (NNDR)'. Due to the complexity of this subject and the need for input from more than one Council Service the item has been scheduled for presentation at the Committee's November 2021 meeting (see Appendix 1 attached). The Group is scheduled to hold its next meeting on 9 September. Any matters arising from that meeting which affect the work of this Committee will be reported verbally at the meeting on 16 September.
- 5.2 With a view to raising Scrutiny's profile and encouraging public engagement the Group recently decided that all three scrutiny committees should, for a trial period, identify key themes or messages arising from their meetings for publication via the Authority's social media pages and the local press. The Committee is therefore asked to identify which themes or messages it wishes to highlight from the current meeting.

6. 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 and resource pressures.

7. 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.

8. What are the main conclusions of the Well-being Impact Assessment?

A Well-being Impact Assessment has not been undertaken in relation to the purpose or contents of this report. However, Scrutiny through its work in examining service delivery, policies, procedures and proposals will consider their impact or potential impact on the sustainable development principle and the well-being goals stipulated in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

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

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.

10. 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.

11. Power to make the decision

11.1 Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000.

11.2 Section 7.11 of the Council's Constitution stipulates that scrutiny committees and/or the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs Group will be responsible for setting their own work programmes, taking into account the wishes of Members of the Committee who are not members of the largest political group on the Council.

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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
<i>Date tbc</i>	Councillor Bobby Feeley	1. <i>Health Board plans for services in Denbighshire</i>	<i>To detail to the Committee the future direction for the delivery of Health Board services in Denbighshire (including major capital projects such as the North Denbighshire Community Hospital, future provision at Denbigh Infirmary and Ruthin Hospital)</i>	<i>To secure the future delivery of health care services and effective partnership working with respect of delivering health, social care and well-being services in order to realise the resilient communities corporate priority</i>	<i>BCUHB</i>	<i>February 2020 (rescheduled February 2021 & May 2021)</i>
4 November	Cllr. Bobby Feeley	1. Homelessness and Housing Related Support Services	(i) To examine the effectiveness of the multi-disciplinary service in delivering homelessness services in line with the Welsh Government's vision for homelessness and housing related support services; and (ii) to review the actions arising from the	(i) To secure the timely delivery of outcome focussed co-ordinated support to individuals and families who need it and avert them reaching crisis point; and	Phil Gilroy/Ann Lloyd/Lisa Harte	By SCVCG January 2021

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
			Internal Audit of 'Provision of Homeless Accommodation' as per the referral by the Governance & Audit Committee in January 2021.	(ii) To ensure that governance, risk and control weaknesses relating to the area are suitably addressed		
	Leader	2. North Wales Economic Ambition Board Performance Quarter 2 2021/22	To consider the Board's Quarter 2 report on its performance, work and progress in delivering its projects during 2021-22	To ensure that the Board delivers its priorities and projects in line with the stipulations and conditions laid out between the Board and the UK & Welsh Governments	NWEAB	By SCVCG March 2021
	Cllr. Brian Jones	3. COVID-19 Active Travel Plan Schemes in Denbighshire	To provide an overview of the findings in regard to the schemes' effectiveness in those town centres where they were implemented, the benefits realised from their implementation and any unintended negative consequences caused by their introduction	To evaluate the schemes' effectiveness in boosting town centre footfall during COVID-19 restrictions and identify lessons learnt for similar schemes in future and in readiness for further expansion of Active Travel	Emlyn Jones/Mike Jones/Ben Wilcox-Jones	December 2020 (rescheduled June 2021)

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
				schemes across the county		
	Cllr. Julian Thompson-Hill/Leader	4. Post COVID-19 recovery of Town Centres and NNDR	To outline the problems faced by high street business due to NNDR rates, the reduction in footfall and utilisation of traditional retail practices in favour of out of town and on-line retailers. The report also to detail the extent of the problem in the county's towns the number of empty retail premises across the county and what remedial action is, and could be taken locally, regionally and nationally to enable our towns and city to continue to have vibrant centres in the future.	A greater understanding of the extent of the problem, the remedial action taken to date to try and redress the problems faced by retailers and their impact on town/city centres. The formulation of recommendations with respect of further action to support the economic recovery of the county's towns and the delivery of the Council's corporate priorities relating to connected, resilient communities and the environment	Emlyn Jones/Steve Gadd/Gareth Roberts/James Evans/Paul Barnes/Rod Urquhart	By SCVCG July 2021
16 December						

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
10 February 2022	Cllr. Tony Thomas	1. Highways Grass Verge, Hedge Maintenance and Pesticide Application Policies (annual report)	To review the Council's highways grass verge, hedge maintenance and pesticide application policies, in particular the timing of cuts on the county's rural road network	To ensure that County's policies conform with bio-diversity standards that support the delivery of the Council's environment priority whilst ensuring the safety of road users and pedestrians	Tony Ward/Andy Clark/Mark Evans	February 2021
7 April						
7 July	Leader	1. North Wales Economic Ambition Board Annual Report 2021/22	To consider the Board's Quarter4/Annual Report on its work and progress during 2021-22	To ensure that the Board delivers its priorities and projects in line with the stipulations and conditions laid out between the Board and the UK & Welsh Governments	NWEAB	By SCVCG March 2021
	Cllr. Bobby Feeley	2. Annual Report on Adult Safeguarding 2021/22	To consider the annual report on adult safeguarding, and information in place to meet the statutory requirements of the Social	An evaluation of whether the Authority is meeting its statutory duty with respect to adult safeguarding and	Phil Gilroy/Alaw Pierce/Nerys Tompsett	July 2021

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
			<p>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</p> <p>(data to include actual numbers in each category as well as % figures and the actual number of allegations proven)</p>	has sufficient resources to undertake this work along with the additional work in the wake of the Supreme Court's judgement		
15 September						
27 October	Leader	1. North Wales Economic Ambition Board Performance Quarter 2 2022/23	To consider the Board's Quarter 2 report on its performance, work and progress in delivering its projects during 2022-23	To ensure that the Board delivers its priorities and projects in line with the stipulations and conditions laid out between the Board and the UK & Welsh Governments	NWEAB	By SCVCG March 2021

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
15 December						

Future Issues

Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
Nature for Health Pilot Project	To examine the pilot project and consider whether a similar project should become part of the Corporate Priority Programme of projects	An assessments of the benefits of the pilot project and any measurable achievements received through Services working in partnership and within existing budgets to determine whether a similar project should be rolled-out across the county and included in the Corporate Priority programme of projects to deliver the Corporate Plan	Howard Sutcliffe	BY SCVCG July 2019 (deferred with the Chair's permission October 2019, subject to further work being carried out on the proposal)
Update following conclusion of inquiry undertaken by the National Crime Agency in to historic abuse in North Wales Children's' Care Homes <i>(potentially Spring 2022?)</i>	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 future years

<i>Mental Capacity (Amendment) Act 2019 Note: information on the Act is still awaited (further delayed due to COVID – 19 and WG decision in relation to Liberty Protection Safeguards (LPS))</i>	<i>To review the content of the Act and associated statutory regulations and code of practice (expected to be published in April 2020).</i>	<i>To review the implications for the Council and residents.</i>	<i>Phil Gilroy/David Soley</i>	<i>December 2019 (rescheduled April 2020 due to COVID-19) – check with lead officer</i>
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				<i>in the autumn of 2021 whether available</i>

Information/Consultation Reports

Information / Consultation	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Author	Date Entered
Information Report (for circulation Oct 2021)	Quarterly Monitoring of External Care Providers	To provide details of the regular monitoring of external care service providers commissioned by the council for social care services, identifying any escalating concerns or other areas of concern	Katie Newe/Ben Chandler	By SCVCG 2018
INFORMATION REPORT (November 2021)	Collaborative Procurement Service's Annual Report	To receive information on the collaborative Service's activity and performance against targets set out in the Procurement Strategy 2019/20	Gary Williams/Lisa Jones/Lee Evans/Sue Rees	By SCVCG March 2020
INFORMATION REPORT (for circulation in Sept (Q1) & February (Q3) each year) Sept 2021 & Feb 2022	North Wales Economic Ambition Board	To provide information on the Board's performance and progress in delivering its priorities and projects in line with the stipulations and conditions laid out between the Board and the UK & Welsh Governments	NWEAB	By SCVCG March 2021

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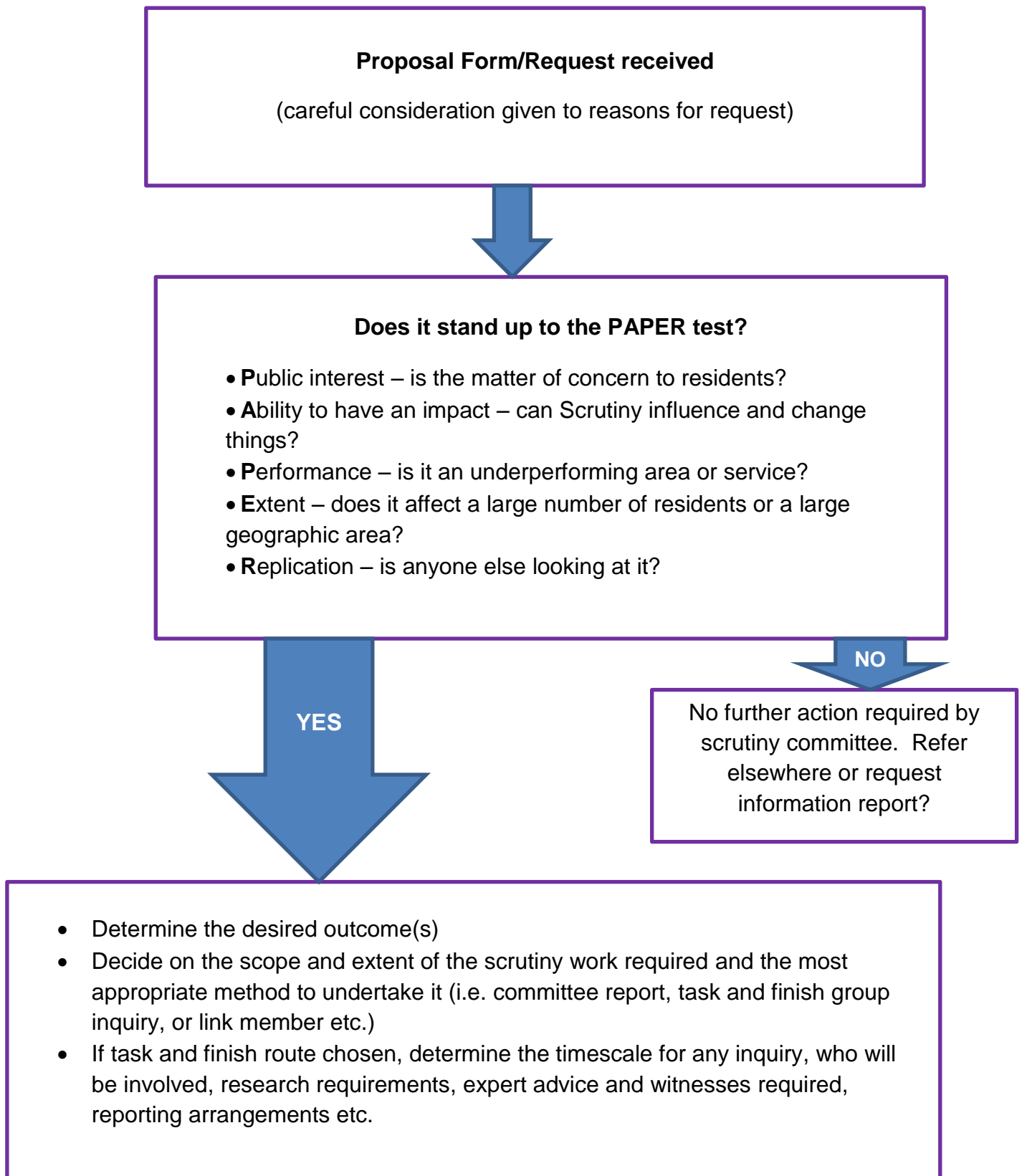
Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
4 November	21 October	16 December	2 December	10 February 2022	27 January

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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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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
21 Sept	1	External Enveloping and Energy Efficiency Framework for Council Housing	To award suppliers to the framework	Yes	Councillor Tony Thomas / Christopher Morris / Glyn Forsdick
	2	Denbighshire Learning Disability Community Living Schemes – Temporary extension and retendering of existing contracts	To ask Members to approve a further extension to 34 Learning Disability Supported Living Contracts that are due to expire. In addition, to request approval of the procurement timetable for the retendering of these contracts	Yes	Councillor Bobby Feeley / Alison Heaton
	3	Contract Award – Construction of 15 apartments for social rent at The Dell, Prestatyn	To award the construction contract for council housing development	Yes	Councillors Tony Thomas & Julian Thompson-Hill / Mark Dixon
	4	Strategy for the Prevention & Detection of Fraud, Corruption & Bribery and the associated Fraud Response Plan	To seek Cabinet approval of the Strategy	Yes	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Gary Williams / Steve Gadd / Lisa Lovegrove
	5	Annual Treasury Management Report 2020-21	To give a review of the Treasury Management activities over the course of the previous financial year (2020-21)	tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd / Rhys Ifor Jones

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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
	6	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd
	7	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
19 Oct	1	Replacement LDP revised Delivery Agreement and Covid Impact Assessment	To seek Cabinet approval for revisions to the Replacement LDP Delivery Agreement and accompanying Covid19 impact assessment for submission to Welsh Government	Yes	Councillor Mark Young / Angela Loftus
	2	Replacement LDP - Report back on Preferred Strategy consultation	Replacement LDP Preferred Strategy consultation and seek approval for subsequent proposed amendments to the Preferred Strategy	Yes	Councillor Mark Young / Angela Loftus
	3	Graphic Design and Print Framework	To seek approval for the tender award to suppliers	Yes	Councillor Huw Hilditch-Roberts / Sian Owen / Cheryl Evans
	4	Award of the Concession Contract for the operation of	To seek approval of the contract award [by Conwy	Yes	Councillor Brian Jones / Tony Ward / Tara Dumas / Alan L

Cabinet Forward Work Plan

Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
		Household Recycling Centres (Conwy and Denbighshire)	County Borough Council]		Roberts
	5	Proposed approach to tendering for phase 2 contract for DCC Waste Transfer Station, Colomendy Industrial Estate, Denbigh	To seek Cabinet approval for the tender process	Yes	Councillor Brian Jones / Tony Ward / Peter Clayton
	6	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd
	7	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
23 Nov	1	Corporate Plan Update: July to September 2021	To monitor the Council's progress in delivering the Corporate Plan 2017 – 2022	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Iolo McGregor
	2	Queens Market Phase 1 – award construction contract'	To seek approval to award a contract for the delivery of Phase 1 of the Queens Building Rhyl	Yes	Councillor Hugh Evans / Russell Vaughan
	3	Levelling Up – Vale of Clwyd and Clwyd West bid approval			Councillor Hugh Evans / Emlyn Jones / Gareth Roberts
	4	Contract Award –	To award the construction	Yes	Councillors Tony Thomas &

Cabinet Forward Work Plan

Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
		Redevelopment of the former library in Nant Hall Road, Prestatyn	contract for council housing development		Julian Thompson-Hill / Mark Dixon
	5	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd
	6	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
14 Dec	1	Prestatyn Flood Defence Scheme	To recommend that Council agree the funding for the schemes and permit the service to proceed to the construction phase	Tbc	Councillor Brian Jones / Tony Ward / Wayne Hope / Matthew Hazlewood
	2	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd
	3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator
	4	Welsh in Education Strategic Plan	To approve the new Welsh in Education Strategic Plan before submission to Welsh Government.	Tbc	Councillor Huw Hilditch-Roberts/ Carwyn Edwards

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Meeting	Item (description / title)		Purpose of report	Cabinet Decision required (yes/no)	Author – Lead member and contact officer
18 Jan	1	Central Rhyl Flood Defence Scheme	To recommend that Council agree the funding for the schemes and permit the service to proceed to the construction phase	Tbc	Councillor Brian Jones / Tony Ward / Wayne Hope / Matthew Hazlewood
	2	Finance Report	To update Cabinet on the current financial position of the Council	Tbc	Councillor Julian Thompson-Hill / Steve Gadd
	3	Items from Scrutiny Committees	To consider any issues raised by Scrutiny for Cabinet's attention	Tbc	Scrutiny Coordinator

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<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Deadline</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Deadline</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
<i>September</i>	7 September	<i>October</i>	5 October	<i>November</i>	9 November

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Progress with Committee Resolutions

Date of Meeting	Item number and title	Resolution	Progress
8 July 2021 2021	5. Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board Heart Failure Services in Denbighshire and its Impact on the Council's Social Care Services	<p><u>Resolved:</u> - subject to the above observations to receive the information provided and</p> <p>(i) welcome the reassurances given by Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board in relation to current and medium term funding for Heart Failure Services in Denbighshire; and</p> <p>(ii) the Health Board's recognition of the importance of community based health services and the need to adequately fund and support them.</p>	Lead Member and Officers informed of the Committee's recommendations.
	6. Annual Report on Safeguarding Adults in Denbighshire 1 st April 2020 – 21 st March 2021	<p><u>Resolved:</u> - subject to the above observations and the provision of the additional information and data requested during the course of the discussion, to acknowledge the importance of a corporate approach to the safeguarding of adults at risk and the responsibility of the Council to view this as a key priority area.</p>	<p>Lead Member and Officers advised of the Committee's recommendation.</p> <p>Update on requested information contained in the 'Information Brief' document circulated to Committee members ahead of the current meeting.</p>

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