

Communities Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Plan

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
20 March Special Meeting to be held in Llangollen International Pavilion (all day meeting)	Cllr. Mark Young	1.	Llantysilio Mountain Fire	To examine the multi-agency response to the mountain fire in the summer of 2018 and the fire's impact on the local area, environment and businesses	To ensure that the lessons learnt following the incident are used to improve multi-agency responses to similar emergencies in future and determine whether land management practices could be better utilised to mitigate against the spread of the fire/or isolate such incidents going forward	Neil Culff NWREP Graham Boase/Emlyn Jones/Tony Ward - Services and Multi-agency presentation/report (Police/FRS/NRW/local business reps/agricultural business reps/Countryside Services/Highway Service to be invited)	By SCVCG October 2018
9 May	Cllr. Julian Thompson-Hill	1.	Universal Credit (unless concerns merit it to be brought to Scrutiny earlier)	To detail: (i) the impact of the introduction of Universal Credit (full service) on Council services and	An understanding of the impact of UC on Council services and on residents during the early roll-out stages of the new benefits system in the county; an assessment of the effectiveness of measures taken to date in supporting services and residents to deal with the changes and proposed plans for	Paul Barnes/Rachel Thomas	May 2018

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				<p>residents 12 months following roll-out to the majority of the county area;</p> <p>(ii) the effectiveness of the measures taken by the Council and its partners with a view to mitigating the effects of its introduction on residents and Council services, including the lessons learnt; and</p> <p>(iii) the work underway to mitigate the impact on services and residents in readiness for the migration current benefit recipients on to UC in due course</p>	<p>dealing with the remainder of the rollout and the eventual migration of current benefit recipients onto the new UC in due course.</p> <p>Scrutiny's consideration of the above matters will assist it to identify proposed ways to mitigate against the effects of UC adversely affecting the Council's aim of building resilient communities</p>		

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	Cllr. Brian Jones	2.	Proposed New Waste and Recycling Service Design	To consider detailed information on the proposed new services, including service design, depot reconfiguration requirements, indicative costings and funding available and proposed communication strategy	Assurances that the proposal are progressing in accordance with the Council and the national vision in relation to waste management, reconfiguration costs are manageable and will realise indicative savings and ease budget pressure and that residents are buying into the new waste concept which will deliver the corporate priority relating to an attractive and protected environment that supports well-being and economic prosperity	Tony Ward/Tara Dumas	October 2018
	Cllr. Huw Hilditch-Roberts	3.	Denbighshire's Learner Transport Policy: Non-Statutory Elements [Education]	To examine potential non-statutory elements of the current Learner Transport Policy which the Council could consider withdrawing from funding in future and a draft of the proposed revised policy	The development of an affordable Learner Transport Policy for the future which will support the delivery of the Council's corporate priority and aspirations for its young people	Karen Evans/Ian Land	By SCVCG December 2018
	Cllr. Huw Hilditch Roberts	4.	Ysgol Rhewl [Education]	An evaluation of the support provided to the school and stakeholders	To ensure that pupils and stakeholders are adequately supported by the education authority to ensure that the pupils are not	Karen Evans/Geraint Davies/James Curran	October 2017 (rescheduled September 2018 &

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				during the period leading up to the closure of Ysgol Rhewl and the transfer of pupils to the new area school in Ruthin	disadvantaged, attain the desired outcomes and realise their potential		December 2018)
	Cllr. Brian Jones	5.	Car Park Asset Management Plan	To detail the progress made to date with the delivery of the asset management plan and associated initiatives	To realise the delivery of the plan, the investment programme in the county's car parks and the associated initiatives with a view to delivering the connected communities and environment priorities within the Council's corporate plan	Emlyn Jones/Mike Jones	March 2018
4 July	Cllr. Tony Thomas	1.	Planning Compliance Charter	To consider the draft Planning Compliance Charter between Denbighshire County Council and Town and Community Councils	The development of a Charter that will be useful to town and community councils and other stakeholders to understand how the compliance function works and how they can support compliance work through early prevention/intervention work in their locality. The Charter will help support the delivery of the Environment and Resilient Communities corporate priorities.	Emlyn Jones/Paul Mead/Adam Turner	December 2018
	Cllr. Tony Thomas	2.	Caravan and Holiday Park Regulation Procedure	To assess the effectiveness of the county's regulation procedure in ensuring that caravan and	Ensuring that all regulatory stipulations are adhered to and that holiday caravan sites contribute towards the economic prosperity of the area and local residents are	Emlyn Jones/Paul Mead	By SCVCG January 2018 (rescheduled January 2019)

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				holiday park planning and licensing conditions are complied with	supported to live in homes that meet their needs		
	Cllr. Tony Thomas	3.	Seagull Management Update	To report on the progress made in developing and delivering the Seagull Management Action Plan and the associated Public Awareness Campaign	An assessment of whether appropriate and proportionate actions are being taken to protect residents, businesses and visitors from the nuisance caused by gulls and whether the measures taken are effective and support the delivery of the Council's Corporate Plan	Emlyn Jones/Gareth Watson	March 2018 (rescheduled by SCVCG December 2018)
5 September	Cllr. Brian Jones Reps from Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water & NRW to be invited	1.	Flood Management Responsibilities in Denbighshire	To present the conclusions of the joint study into whether improvements could be made to the management of the Rhyl Cut and Prestatyn Gutter, adjacent drains and sewers, and to outline each organisation's responsibilities in relation to flood management and flood mitigation	An assessment of whether the Council effectively fulfils its responsibilities in relation to flood management and mitigation and works effectively with partner organisations to reduce the risk of flooding and deliver the Environment and Resilient Communities priorities of the Corporate Plan	Tony Ward/Wayne Hope	March 2018 (rescheduled February 2019)

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	Leader	2.	Tourism Signage Strategy for Denbighshire	To outline the progress made by the Working Group in developing a tourism signage strategy for the county, consideration of potential funding sources, and the anticipated timescale for the project's delivery	The development of a tourism signage strategy that complements trunk road signage and technological innovations in the field of tourism, takes into account the aims of 'The Wales Way' project, attracts visitors and increases the value of tourism spend in the county in line with the corporate priority relating to the Environment, and in-keeping with the outcomes of Denbighshire's Tourism Strategy	Mike Jones/Peter McDermott	May 2018 (rescheduled by SCVCG December 2018)
24 Oct	Cllr. Huw Hilditch Roberts	1.	<i>Impact of the Ruthin Primary Education Area Review</i> [Education]	<i>To consider the findings of the of the impact assessment (based on the WBFG Act principles and goals) undertaken following the conclusion, implementation of the decisions relating to the review</i>	<i>Identification of any negative or unintended/unexpected outcomes from the school reorganisation decisions that will assist planning for similar projects in future to ensure the well-being of all stakeholders</i>	<i>Karen Evans/Geraint Davies/James Curran</i>	October 2017
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May/June 2020	Cllr. Huw Hilditch-Roberts	1. Welsh Government's Free Childcare Offer in Denbighshire	To assess the take-up and impact of the WG's free childcare offer in the county since its introduction in April 2019	To evaluate whether the introduction of the free childcare offer has supported the delivery of the Council's corporate priorities relating to young people and resilient communities, supported the local economy and will enhance better outcomes for children and families	Karen Evans/James Wood	September 2018

Future Issues

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For future years

Information/Consultation Reports

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Information [Education] March 2019?	Ysgol Llanbedr Dyffryn Clwyd	To: (i) outline the reasons given by the WG's Cabinet Secretary in relation to her decision with respect of the future of Ysgol Llanbedr D C; (ii) how the Welsh Government dealt with the appeal; and (iii) the decision's implications for the future management and financial arrangements for Ysgol Llanbedr D C	Karen Evans/Geraint Davies/James Curran	December 2018

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		and Ysgol Trefnant, their staff and pupils		
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Note for officers – Committee Report Deadlines

Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
9 May	25 April	4 July	20 June	5 September	22 September

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