



# Conwy and Denbighshire Public Services Board – Environmental Policy Statement

## Introduction

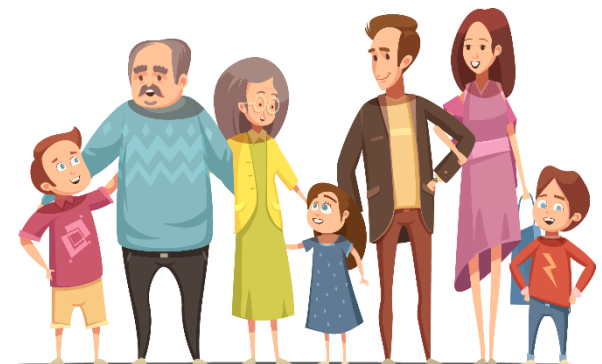
Environment resilience is a priority area of the Conwy and Denbighshire Public Services Board (PSB) as outlined in their [Local Well-being Plan](#) for the region. This priority considers several aspects of environmental resilience, including - the need to better prepare for the impacts of climate change and to work together to prevent climate change, (such as reducing our carbon and ecological footprints).

## Why environmental resilience is a priority for us

Having a healthy and resilient natural environment is essential to deliver maximum environmental, economic, cultural and health benefits for the communities of Conwy and Denbighshire.

## If we focus on this priority now, in the future we could have

- Communities that understand and value the importance of the natural environment and the essential services it provides for society.
- A natural environment that is being managed in a sustainable way whilst wildlife and nature are flourishing.
- A natural environment that is providing the maximum benefits to our residents across the social, environmental, economic and cultural spectrum.



Commitment 1	To reduce our carbon and energy usage, so by 2030 we will be a carbon neutral public sector.					
Lead Agency	Natural Resources Wales					
Lead Officer	Clive Walmsley, <i>Principal Climate Change Advisor</i>					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Stephen Phillips, <i>tbc</i>	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, <i>Business Improvement Manager</i>
	Denbighshire County Council	Tom Booty, <i>Energy Manager</i>	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	
	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC		
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	Welsh Government’s <a href="#">Low Carbon Pathway to 2030</a> and their <a href="#">Prosperity for all: A low carbon Wales</a> plan.					
Good Practice	Natural Resources Wales <a href="#">Carbon Positive Project</a> and the Future Generations Commissioners <a href="#">Decarbonisation priority</a>					
Key Elements	Measure and monitor our energy and water consumption and carbon emissions and take steps to reduce.			Minimise the pollution of air, water and land from our own activities and seek to minimise pollution from other sources.		
	Promote car sharing in an effort to minimise carbon emissions.			Reduce the amount of miles we drive.		
	Install electric vehicle charging and explore options for implementing an electric vehicle fleet.			Implement alternative or renewable energy technologies, where practical, to provide additional sustainable energy for our facilities.		
	Comply with all current energy legislation, seeking to meet or better legislative targets.					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 2	To reduce the amount of waste generated from our activities, so by 2050 there will be zero waste sent to landfill.					
Lead Agency	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service and North Wales Police					
Lead Officer	Anna Pretious (tbc) & Philip Morris (tbc)					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Jenny Usher-Jones, <i>tbc</i>	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, <i>Business Improvement Manager</i>
	Denbighshire County Council	Tara Dumas, <i>Waste &amp; Recycling Manager</i>	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	Natural Resource Wales	Emma Killian, <i>TBC</i>	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC	Public Health Wales	TBC
	Welsh Government	TBC				
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	Welsh Governments <a href="#">Towards Zero Waste</a> strategy (statutory targets for waste recycled: 64% by 2020, 70% by 2025 and zero waste to landfill by 2050).					
Good Practice	<a href="#">Good Practice Wales – Waste Awareness Case Studies</a>					
Key Elements	Reduce the amount of waste produced from our activities.			Improve the recycling facilities available to our staff and customers / clients / patients.		
	Actively raise awareness of environmental issues and promote the benefits of being more environmentally responsible & behaving more sustainably – including recycling.			Promote recycling and the use of recycled and refurbished products and materials where such alternatives are economical and suitable, while reducing consumption of materials wherever possible.		
	Minimise waste in all our operations and dispose of all waste through safe and responsible methods, in accordance with regulations.			Carry out a Waste Audit of our organisations.		
	Comply with all current waste legislation, seeking to meet or better legislative targets.					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 3	To enhance our green spaces, coastal areas and woodlands to encourage resilient and healthy ecosystems.					
Lead Agency	Denbighshire County Council					
Lead Officer	Joel Walley - Biodiversity Officer					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Jenny Usher-Jones, <i>tbc</i>	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, <i>Business Improvement Manager</i>
	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC	Natural Resources Wales	TBC
	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC
	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC		
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	Environment (Wales) Act 2016 – <a href="#">Section 6: Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty</a>					
Good Practice	Wales Biodiversity Partnership – <a href="#">Examples of Section Plans and Best Practice</a>					
Key Elements	Conserve and enhance biodiversity and habitats.			Become a Bee Friendly organisation.		
	Assess the impacts that all of our operations, functions and duties (direct and indirect) have on biodiversity.			Plant more trees and nature friendly plants to attract butterflies, insects, bees and other pollinators.		
	Meet and where possible exceed the requirements set out in the applicable biodiversity legislation and regulations.			Apply green infrastructure to make our buildings and assets more wildlife friendly.		
	Implement a Pollution Action Plan which includes no longer using pesticides and herbicides.					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 4	To support sustainable travel and encourage active travel within our organisations.					
Lead Agency	TBC					
Lead Officer	TBC					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Jenny Usher-Jones, <i>tbc</i>	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Denbighshire County Council	Mike Jones, <i>tbc</i>
	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC	Natural Resources Wales	TBC
	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC
	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, <i>Business Improvement Manager</i>
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	<a href="#">Active Travel (Wales) Act 2013</a>					
Good Practice	<i>tbc</i>					
Key Elements	Increase levels of active travel within our organisations (e.g. walking and cycling).			Offer effective ‘Cycle to Work’ schemes.		
	Provide and maintain appropriate routes for active travel.			Support active travel in the community.		
	Provide information on public transport, walking and cycling routes and journey times.			Implement and promote sustainable travel plans.		
	Promote and invest in technologies that provide alternatives to business travel.					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 5	Flooding					
Lead Agency	TBC					
Lead Officer	TBC					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	TBC	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, Business Improvement Manager
	Denbighshire County Council	TBC	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	Natural Resources Wales	TBC	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC
	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	<a href="#">Environment (Wales) Act 2016</a> , Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and Flood Risk Regulations 2009					
Good Practice	TBC					
Key Elements	Raise awareness and engage people in the response to flood and coastal erosion risk.			Implement flood risk management plans.		
	Invest in flood alleviation and coastal defence schemes.			Discouraging inappropriate development in areas at risk from flooding or coastal erosion.		
	Reduce the number of properties at risk of flooding.			Develop natural solutions to local flooding such as Sustainable Urban Drainage (SUD’s) systems are multifunctional, including provision for pollinators.		
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 6	Water					
Lead Agency	TBC					
Lead Officer	TBC					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Tanya Coppack, TBC	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Amanda Jones, Business Improvement Manager
	Denbighshire County Council	TBC	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	Natural Resources Wales	TBC	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC
	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	<a href="#">Water Strategy for Wales</a>					
Good Practice	TBC					
Key Elements	Measure and monitor our water consumption and take steps to reduce.			Increase the number of sites that record meter readings.		
	Use water efficiently, and sustainably to manage the water environment			Ensure all landholdings are compliant with environmental legislation, to reduce potential for water pollution issues.		
	Install water efficient fixtures in buildings and connect water butts to buildings/supply them to communities to conserve and utilise rainwater					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 7	Procurement					
Lead Agency	TBC					
Lead Officer	TBC					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	Deborah Evans, <i>Procurement Business Manager</i>	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	Sarah Martin, <i>Procurement Officer</i>
	Denbighshire County Council	Helen Makin, <i>Procurement Manager</i>	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	Natural Resources Wales	TBC	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC
	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	TBC					
Good Practice	TBC					
Key Elements	Reduce any negative impacts on the environment from the purchasing of goods and services and work with suppliers to ensure they have a similar commitment.			Evaluate tender responses not only cost and quality, but also how they meet environmental and social needs.		
	All plastic products and packaging procured by the public sector to be reduced or, if unavoidable, reusable, recyclable and with recycled content where technically possible			A condition in Temporary Event Notices to only allow compostable/locally recyclable food packaging		
	Work with local suppliers and farmers to source local, healthy, sustainable food delivered to work premises.			Procure only FSC grade timber or homegrown wood from well-managed forests		
	Ensure environmental and social commitments are detailed as conditions in contracts and monitor the delivery of these.					
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly basis to the PSB.					



<b>Commitment 8</b>	Climate Change Adaption					
<b>Lead Agency</b>	TBC					
<b>Lead Officer</b>	TBC					
<b>Contact Leads</b>	<b>Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>Community &amp; Voluntary Support Conwy</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>Conwy County Borough Council</b>	Amanda Jones, <i>Business Improvement Manager</i>
	<b>Denbighshire County Council</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>Denbighshire Voluntary &amp; Support Council</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>National Probation Service</b>	<i>TBC</i>
	<b>Natural Resources Wales</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>North Wales Fire &amp; Rescue Service</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>North Wales Police</b>	<i>TBC</i>
	<b>Police &amp; Crime Commissioners Office</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>Public Health Wales</b>	<i>TBC</i>	<b>Welsh Government</b>	<i>TBC</i>
<b>Framework all organisations will commit to implement</b>	<a href="#">Climate Change Adaption Plan for Wales</a> (currently out to consultation)					
<b>Good Practice</b>	TBC					
<b>Key Elements</b>	TBC					
<b>Accountability</b>	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Commitment 9	Planning					
Lead Agency	TBC					
Lead Officer	TBC					
Contact Leads	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board	TBC	Community & Voluntary Support Conwy	TBC	Conwy County Borough Council	James Harland, <i>Strategic Planning Manager</i>
	Denbighshire County Council	TBC	Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council	TBC	National Probation Service	TBC
	Natural Resources Wales	TBC	North Wales Fire & Rescue Service	TBC	North Wales Police	TBC
	Police & Crime Commissioners Office	TBC	Public Health Wales	TBC	Welsh Government	TBC
Framework all organisations will commit to implement	Planning (Wales) Act 2015					
Good Practice	TBC					
Key Elements	Consider the impact on the environment during the planning and implementation of our growth strategies.			Ensure, where practicable, that buildings occupied by us are designed, constructed and operated to optimise their environmental performance.		
	Through the planning process, secure significant areas of habitat management agreement as part of public open space provision and biodiversity mitigation.			All of our buildings to meet accredited sustainability standards (such as BREEAM excellence, ISO 14001).		
Accountability	All lead officers will report on progress against the framework on an <b>annual / 6 monthly / quarterly / monthly</b> basis to the PSB.					

Signatures

**Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board**

**Conwy County Borough Council**

**Community & Voluntary Support Conwy**

Bethan Jones,  
Area Director - Central

Gary Doherty,  
Chief Executive

Iwan Davies,  
Chief Executive

Cllr Gareth Jones,  
Leader

Wendy Jones,  
Chief Executive

**Denbighshire County Council**

**Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council**

**National Probation Service**

Judith Greenhalgh,  
Chief Executive

Cllr Hugh Evans,  
Leader

Helen Wilkinson,  
Chief Executive

Samantha Owen,  
Conwy Team Manager

**Natural Resources Wales**

**North Wales Fire & Rescue Service**

**North Wales Police**

Sian Williams,  
Head of Operations - North

Simon Smith,  
Chief Fire Officer

Jason Devonport,  
Superintendent

**Police & Crime Commissioners Office**

**Public Health Wales**

**Welsh Government**

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Chief Executive

Teresa Owen,  
Executive Director of Public Health

Sioned Rees,  
Head of Escalation

## Appendix A – Local Measures

PSB Member Organisation	Local Measures	
Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board		
Conwy County Borough Council	Carbon & Energy	
	Waste	
	Biodiversity, Green Space	Number of clean up days
	Sustainable & Active Travel	
	Flooding	Timeliness of investigating flooding reports
		Number of flood awareness events held
	Water	
	Procurement	
	Climate Change Adaptation	
	Planning	
Community & Voluntary Support Conwy		
Denbighshire County Council		
Denbighshire Voluntary & Support Council		
National Probation Service		
Natural Resources Wales		
North Wales Fire & Rescue Service		
North Wales Police		

Police & Crime Commissioners Office		
Public Health Wales		
Welsh Government		