

## 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	
12 December	<b>Cllr. Mark Young</b>	1	Planning Compliance Charter	To present a revised version of the Charter following the consultation exercise with the county's city, town and community councils. (the report to include information on staffing resources, communication timescale with the public and the number of complaints received by the Service on planning contraventions)	To endorse and recommend the adoption 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	July 2019
	<b>Cllr. Brian Jones</b>	2	<i>Well-being of Future Generations Wales Act in Relation to Flooding (tbc)</i>	<i>To consider a report by the Wales Audit Office on the Council's approach to flood risk management and compliance with the Act's</i>	<i>Formulation of recommendations to aid better compliance with the Act's sustainable development principle</i>	<i>Tony Ward/Wayne Hope/Nicola Kneale</i>	<i>By SCVCG July 2019 (rescheduled by SCVCG September 2019)</i>

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				<i>sustainable development principle and 5 well-being goals</i>			
	<b>Leader</b>	3	Business Improvement Districts (BIDs)	To examine the process followed for the purpose of establishing Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) in Denbighshire, including associated communication and engagement strategies utilised to draw attention to BID proposals and their potential impact on businesses in the designated area and the identification of lessons learnt from BID applications processed to date	Examination of the process will enable the Committee to consider and endorse any communication and/or engagement issues with stakeholders	Emlyn Jones/Mike Horrocks	By SCVCG September 2019
23 January 2020							

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12 March	<b>Leader</b>	1. 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 & rescheduled by the Committee June 2019)
	<b>Cllr. Tony Thomas</b>	2. Progress report on recommendations stemming from the Llantysilio Mountain fire review	To monitor progress made in relation to implementing the Review's recommendations in conjunction with the Council's partner agencies and organisations	(i) The development of a Regional Wildfire Plan to help partner agencies respond effectively to similar incidents in future and to reduce the risk of similar incidents occurring; and (ii) Securing sufficient funding to establish and fund a dedicated Upland and Moorland Management Officer post to support all partner organisations, landowners and graziers to effectively manage the habitat, reducing the risk of wildfires in an economically viable way in line with WG agricultural policies which benefits the local area and supports the delivery of the Council's Environment corporate priority	Emlyn Jones/Huw Rees/David Shiel	September 2019

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7 May	<b>Cllr. Huw Hilditch-Roberts</b>	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
2 July						
3 September	<b>Cllr. Huw Hilditch Roberts</b>	1. <i>Impact of the Ruthin Primary Education Area Review</i>  <b>[Education]</b>  (tbc)	<i>To consider the findings of the of the impact assessment (based on the WCFG 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>	<i>October 2017 (rescheduled June 2019 and by SCVCG September 2019)</i>
22 October	<b>Cllr. Brian Jones</b>  <b>Reps from Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water &amp; NRW to be invited</b>	1. <i>Flood Management Responsibilities in Denbighshire</i> (tbc)	<i>To present the conclusions of the joint study into whether improvements could be made to the management of</i>	<i>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</i>	<i>Tony Ward/Wayne Hope</i>	<i>March 2018 (rescheduled February 2019 &amp; June 2019) rescheduled until conclusion</i>

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				<i>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</i>	<i>and Resilient Communities priorities of the Corporate Plan</i>		<i>of the Phase 3 study</i>
10 December							
early 2021 (prov. date – tbc)	<b>Cllr. Julian Thompson-Hill</b>	1.	Universal Credit	To detail: (i) the impact of migrating legacy benefits residents on to Universal Credit on Council services; and (ii) the effectiveness of the measures taken by the Council and its partners with a view to mitigating the effects of migrating legacy benefits	(i) An understanding of the impact of migrating legacy benefit recipients onto UC on Council services and on residents themselves; and  (ii) an assessment of the effectiveness of measures taken to support services and residents to deal with the changes and proposed plans for dealing with the remainder of the rollout.  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	Paul Barnes/Rachel Thomas	May 2019

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				residents on to UC (including the lessons learnt			

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**Future Issues**

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Denbighshire's Learner Transport Policy: Non-Statutory Elements	To present the findings of the Task and Finish Group's study into the county's learner transport provision for pupils and students accessing non-statutory elements of education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Clarity and understanding of Council's annual learner transport budget and the cost of transporting pupils/students to statutory and non-statutory, discretionary and non-discretionary education, including an enhanced knowledge of education and learner transport legislation and their impact on the budget;</li> <li>(ii) an assessment of the potential impact of withdrawing the provision of free learner transport for pupils/students who access the various non-statutory or discretionary educational elements currently offered, including any risks to the wider education provision in the area and to the skills base required in local economy; and</li> <li>(iii) ensuring that every pupil/student in the county has fair and equitable access to education provision and is not discriminated against in any way</li> </ul>	Task and Finish Group	May 2019

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## For future years


## Information/Consultation Reports

Information / Consultation	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Author(s)	Date Entered
<b>INFORMATION</b> <i>(for circulation January 2021)</i>	Car Park Asset/Investment Management Plan	To detail the progress made to date with the delivery of the asset management plan and associated initiatives	Emlyn Jones/Mike Jones	July 2019

## Note for officers – Committee Report Deadlines

Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
24 October	<b>10 October</b>	12 December	<b>28 November</b>	23 January 2020	<b>9 January 2020</b>

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