



# **Conwy and Denbighshire Public Services Board: Well-being Delivery Plan 2018 - 2023**



**Place – Supporting Environmental Resilience**

**Delivery Plan – 2019 / 20**

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<b>Priority</b>	<b>Focus Areas</b>	<b>Impact</b>
<b>Place - Supporting Environmental Resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support people and communities to realise how important the natural environment is and understand what positive differences they can make to reduce their impact on it.</li> <li>Start to address environmental issues such as climate change by promoting ways we can all reduce our footprint such as recycling, improving energy efficiency, reducing carbon emissions and by generally being greener.</li> <li>Understand what each of our partner organisations are doing in term of addressing their ecological footprint. Consider what frameworks we are working towards and how we can bring this all together. As part of this we want to improve the energy efficiency of our buildings and facilities.</li> <li>Focus on sustainable procurement (in particular maximising community benefit and making sure we're not having an adverse impact on the environment when we're buying goods and services).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communities that understand and value the importance of the natural environment and the essential services it provides for society.</li> <li>A natural environment that is being managed in a sustainable way whilst wildlife and nature are flourishing.</li> <li>A natural environment that is providing the maximum benefits to our residents across the social, environmental, economic and cultural spectrum.</li> <li>Consistency between partner organisations working to common environmental policy, standards and targets.</li> </ul>

Actions	DRAFT Measure of Success		When will it be completed?		
			Short Term (1 years)	Medium Term (2-3 years)	Long Term (4-5 years)
1. Develop a common environmental policy statement for PSB partners and identify key targets.	a. Carbon	See draft performance measures in position statement.	✓		
	b. Climate Change				
2. Develop a community green pledge scheme and work with partners to promote and encourage participation of the scheme.	Number of groups receiving information about the pledge.		✓		
	Number of hits to the Community Green Pledges webpage.				
	Number of communities who have successfully achieved: A) Bronze, b) Silver, C) Gold, D) Platinum status.				
	Case studies on what changes communities have made.				
	Number of areas the PSB have lobbied.				

WORKING DOCUMENT

3. Identify areas to lobby that are beyond the PSB's gift to make positive changes.	To be identified.	✓	✓	✓
4. Identify the community benefits from development (e.g. S106 agreements) through collaborative discussion.			✓	
5. Understand the 'conflict' between planning policy and environmental issues through collaborative discussion and seek local solutions.	To be developed through the regional partnership sub groups.		✓	

**RAG action key**

Action not progressing / areas of concern have been raised		Action progressing and no concerns raised		Action complete	
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Action	Progress Update – December 2019	Performance		
1. Develop a common environmental policy statement for PSB partners and identify key targets.	<p>Following the July 2019 PSB meeting, the policy statement document has been updated to reflect the discussion at the meeting and clarify the focus areas. At the September PSB meeting, members recommended for the new format to be approved. Additionally since the last meeting, draft performance measures have been identified for the position statement. We are working with performance officers for advice.</p> <p>As part of this action, the North Wales PSB's held an environment event in September 2019. It provided an opportunity for environmental officers to network, as well as providing an overview of PSB's work in this area and discussed how we could approach the climate emergency together. There seemed to be general consensus that a North Wales regional approach would be beneficial. Proposals are being taken to the next North Wales Regional Leadership Board, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Establishing a NW regional environment programme board.</li> <li>- Establishing sub-groups for each of the themes identified at the event (fleet, assets, procurement &amp; land management).</li> <li>- Use the NW regional PSB grant to commission a consultant to initial scope and provide recommendations to take the Board forward.</li> </ul>	In progress		

Action	Progress Update – December 2019	Performance		
2. Develop a community green pledge scheme and work with partners to promote and encourage participation of the scheme.	Following approval of the green pledges in July, officers are now working with the marketing team in Conwy CBC (who have been commissioned through the North Wales PSB grant) to launch and communicate the scheme. As part of this a toolkit is being developed, that will outline the messages we want to communicate, branding and imagery. A meeting has been organised with the communications officers from other PSB partners to share this work and help communicate the scheme. We are aiming to promote the green pledges as part of the annual engagement on corporate plan reviews.	In progress		
3. Identify areas to lobby that are beyond the PSB's gift to make positive changes.	A further update on the sea defence in old Colwyn will be presented at a future PSB meeting. No further areas for lobbying have been identified.	In progress		
4. Identify the community benefits from development (e.g. S106 agreements) through collaborative discussion.	We are currently responding to the WBFG Commissioner's audit on procurement and evidencing the benefits of procurement – including the environmental benefits.	Not progressed		
5. Understand the 'conflict' between planning policy and environmental issues through collaborative discussion and seek local solutions.	<p>No further developments have been made on this action in this period. To be developed through the regional partnership sub groups.</p> <p><i>However we need to gain a better understanding of the 'conflict' that has been raised between planning policy and consideration of environmental issues. This will be looked at in year two of the plan.</i></p>	In progress		

#### Risks to Manage:

- The risk that regional or all wales organisations will be unable to commit to county or sub-regional arrangements owing to the complexity of meeting differing processes.

#### PROJECT DELIVERY CONFIDENCE SUMMARY

Project Delivery Confidence Assessment:	
Green	Successful delivery of the project / programme to time, cost and quality appears highly likely and there are no major outstanding issues that at this stage appear to threaten delivery significantly.
Yellow	Successful delivery appears probable but significant issues already exist requiring management attention. These appear resolvable at this stage and if addressed promptly, should not present a cost / schedule overrun.

<b>Orange</b>	Successful delivery of the project / programme is in doubt with major risks or issues apparent in a number of key areas. Urgent action is needed to ensure these are addressed, and whether resolution is feasible.
<b>Red</b>	Successful delivery of the project / programme appears to be unachievable. There are major issues, which at this stage does not appear to be manageable or resolvable. The project / programme may need re-base lining and/or overall viability re-assessed.

### Reasons for current delivery confidence

We are making good progress in delivering on action 1 and 2 of the priority. However as the work progresses, we need to ensure the PSB members appropriately resource the projects.

### Previous Delivery Confidence Status

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

### Please outline any key events or milestones for the reporting period

- Revising the policy statement document with advice from environmental experts.
- Organising the NW regional PSB environment networking event.
- Working with the Conwy CBC's marketing team to develop a communication plan to launch the Community Green Pledges scheme.

## NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

### Please outline any key events or milestones expected for the next reporting period

- Launch of the Community Green Pledges scheme.
- Establish the regional environmental board ( if approved)