

Progress with Committee Resolutions

Date of Meeting	Item number and title	Resolution	Progress
Special Meeting 5 October 2020	4. Review of Cabinet Decision Relating to 21 st Century Schools Programme – Band B Proposals	<p><u>Resolved:</u> that detailed information be provided to all county councillors by early 2021 on the 21st Century Schools programme, to include –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) background to the funding and the prioritisation process followed to determine which schools merited benefiting from investment and when; (ii) details of the investment already made in the county's schools and the current position; and (iii) a clear outline of future plans, subject to the availability of Welsh Government and Council funding, to make Denbighshire County Council schools fit for the 21st Century <p>Following the Committee agreeing the above resolution the signatories to the call-in request indicated their agreement that the request to review the Cabinet decision should no longer proceed.</p>	An item on this subject has been scheduled into the forward work programme for the Council Briefing session to be held on 15 March 2021

	<p>5. Urgent Matters: Review of Cabinet Decision Relating to Disposal of Land Adjacent to Ysgol Pendref, Denbigh</p>	<p><u>Resolved:</u> to uphold the decision and to recommend to Cabinet that it -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) <i>revisit the decision in light of the vision for future social and affordable housing as set out in the draft new national development framework 'Future Wales – the National Plan 2040';</i> (ii) <i>therefore delay the decision in relation to this particular site for 12 months until the new national development framework is agreed;</i> (iii) <i>consider options to make the land more attractive to social landlords and smaller developers by breaking it up into smaller parcels/plots; and</i> (iv) <i>does not create an oversupply of large unaffordable homes in Denbigh which do not meet the local need</i> 	<p>Cabinet considered the Committee's recommendations at its meeting on 20 October 2020, It:</p> <p>RESOLVED that Cabinet –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>acknowledges Communities Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and recommendations following its review of the Cabinet decision of 22 September 2020, and</i> (b) <i>having reviewed their decision and taken into account the recommendations from Communities Scrutiny Committee, reaffirm the Cabinet decision made on 22 September 2020 to –</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) <i>“approve the disposal of land adjacent to Ysgol Pendref, Denbigh outlined in red on the plan (Appendix A to the report) which is surplus to Council requirements on the</i>
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22 October 2020	5. Impact of the Ruthin Primary Area Review	<p>The Committee:</p> <p><i>Resolved:</i> <i>having considered the findings in the report and presented during the discussion</i></p> <p>–</p> <p>(i) <i>to receive the information on the impact of the Ruthin Primary Area Review as assessed against the seven well-being goals of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015;</i></p>	<p>Lead Member and officers advised of the Committee’s recommendations.</p>

		<p>(ii) to confirm that, as part of its consideration, it had read, understood and taken account of the Well-being Impact Assessment (Appendix 1);</p> <p>(iii) that an information report be prepared for circulation to members on the economic impact on Rhewl following the closure of the school as part of the Ruthin primary area review;</p> <p>(iv) that information be provided to members detailing the statistics of the Welsh Language Survey undertaken across Denbighshire recently; and</p> <p>(v) that members' gratitude be conveyed to all school based, Education Service, and other Council Services' staff for their efforts and commitment in securing the delivery of education and support to the county's pupils throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>	<p>(iii) a copy of the original report on the Impact of the Closure of Ysgol Rhewl has been included in the Information Brief circulated to members ahead of the current meeting. No request was made at that time for an economic impact report on Rhewl. Officers advise that it would be extremely difficult to undertake an economic impact assessment as Rhewl does not have any retail facilities etc. and has not had a shop for a number of years before the school closed.</p> <p>(iv) the information report on the statistics stemming from the Welsh Language Survey will be circulated to members in the near future.</p>
	<p>6. Community Benefits Policy</p>	<p><u>Resolved:</u> - having considered the policy –</p> <p>(i) to support its aims and objectives;</p> <p>(ii) to confirm that, as part of its consideration, it had read, understood and taken account of the</p>	<p>Lead Member and officers advised of the Committee's recommendation and the requested amendment outlines in (ii).</p>

		<p><i>Well-being Impact Assessment (Appendix 2); and</i></p> <p><i>(iii) recommended that on page 4 of the policy, under the 'Environmental Sustainability Initiatives' section that the words "limiting pollution" be replaced by "limiting pollution where possible".</i></p>	
	<p>7. North East Wales Archives and Ruthin Gaol</p>	<p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p><i>(i) to note the progress made to date and support the proposals for the future use of Ruthin Gaol;</i></p> <p><i>(ii) to register concerns that no contingency plans currently existed for the Archives Service or the heritage offer at Ruthin Gaol if the bid to the National Lottery Heritage Fund for funding to develop a Hub in Mold for the North East Wales Archives Service was unsuccessful; and</i></p> <p><i>(iii) that the results of the current North East Wales Archives Service Access Consultation be circulated to members for information.</i></p>	<p>Lead Member and officers informed of the Committee's recommendations.</p> <p>(iii) information report on the results of consultation exercise will be circulated to members during the December</p>
	<p>8. Scrutiny Work Programme</p>	<p><u>Resolved:</u> <i>having considered the information provided, and subject to the above observations and suggestions–</i></p>	

		<p>(i) <i>to approve the Committee's forward work programme; and</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>that an additional meeting be arranged for early February 2021 to consider matters relating to the Waste Service Remodelling Project</i></p>	<p>(ii) this additional meeting is no longer required – see main report.</p>
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