

Report to	Councillor Jason McLellan, Leader of the Council
Date	11 July 2022
Lead Officer	Democratic Services Manager
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Title	Appointments to the Cadwyn Clwyd Board of Directors

1. What is the report about?

1.1. This report seeks approval for the appointment of a councillor to the Cadwyn Clwyd Cyfyngedig Board of Directors as Denbighshire's nominated representative.

2. What is the reason for making this report?

2.1. Following the local government elections in May a new appointment has been requested by the Board.

3. What are the Recommendations?

- 3.1 That the Leader is recommended to appoint Councillor Emrys Wynne, the lead Cabinet member with responsibility for rural development to the Board of Cadwyn Clwyd; and
- 3.2 Confirm that the term of the appointment will be for the term of the current Council unless a replacement appointment is made.

4. Report details

4.1. Cadwyn Clwyd Cyfyngedig is a rural development agency providing guidance and support to the rural economy in Denbighshire, Flintshire and Wrexham through public and private sector funds. The company aims to stimulate partnership working and innovation and work directly with local communities to assist in the funding, development and implementation of projects that will benefit the local rural economy. Cadwyn Clwyd has requested the appointment of a representative of Denbighshire County Council onto its board of directors.

- 4.2. Prior to the elections in May the Council was represented by former councillor Tony Thomas.
- 4.3. The Leader is recommended to appoint the Council's lead member for Welsh Language, Culture and Heritage, Councillor Emrys Wynne, whose portfolio covers the rural development issues that Cadwyn Clwyd promotes and co-ordinates. The appointment of the Council's Lead Member will allow both the Council and Cadwyn Clwyd to collaborate at a strategic level on Cadwyn Clwyd's Board of Directors.

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

- 5.1. Cadwyn Clwyd Cyfyngedig is a Rural Development Agency that provides guidance and support to develop and diversify the rural economy in Denbighshire, Flintshire and Wrexham through governmental and private sector funding.
- 5.2. The company has eight directors from the counties / county boroughs of Denbighshire, Wrexham and Flintshire. The directors are drawn as representatives from the community / voluntary, private and public sectors.
- 5.3. Appointing an appropriate Director will ensure that Denbighshire is appropriately represented.

6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

6.1. The decision to appoint a member to the board of Cadwyn Clwyd will not create additional costs.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Well-being Impact Assessment?

7.1. This appointment does not require a Well-being Impact Assessment.

8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

8.1. The mandatory delegated decision officer group, the Leader and the Lead Member, Councillor Emrys Wynne, have been consulted on the contents of this report.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

9.1. There are no obvious costs or effects on other services arising from this report.

10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

10.1. Cadwyn Clwyd delivers financial and other support to projects in rural communities within Denbighshire. Cadwyn Clwyd have requested an appointment to their Board and there would be a risk that Denbighshire's interests would not be reflected in Cadwyn Clwyd's work if this appointment was not made.

11. Power to make the decision

11.1Appendix 2(b) to Section 13 of the Council's Constitution outlines the powers delegated to the Lead Members with respect to decisions within their portfolio. The Leader has power to take a decision instead of the appropriate lead member where, for example, it may be inappropriate for the lead member to take the decision.