

## Appendix 1 Rolling Programme Projects

Projects should be identified in the nine-year capital programme with:

- Years 1, 2 and 3 projects expected to reach full business case within the 3 years.
- Years 4, 5 and 6 projects being developed and going through statutory consultation.
- Years 7, 8 and 9 being pipeline projects.

**How many projects do you intend to deliver in each segment of your rolling programme?**

<b>Years 1-3</b>	2
<b>Years 4-6</b>	3
<b>Years 7-9</b>	Tbc

**What are they? (Please note that details of the projects should also be included in the Project Data Collection spreadsheet and attached). The projects should be ranked in both documents in order of priority.**

**Years 1-3**  
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The following project was part of Denbighshire's Band B proposals and is intended to be taken over into the rolling programme.

**Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn, Denbigh** – This project will deliver a new build 3-18 school for pupils with Autism. The school operates over three sites during school hours and the project will allow the school to be based on a single site. The project will allow demand for this provision to be met via the increase in capacity from the current 133 pupils to an overall capacity of 220. This will enable the recognised need for a larger school specialising in autism provision for pupils across the County and will have a positive impact on other schools where pupils currently supported in mainstream provision may be able to be admitted to Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn.

The need for this school has been supported by Cabinet, including the submission of a planning application for the preferred site and the proposals are advanced. The School Organisation proposals were determined in February 2023 and the Outline Business Case was approved by Welsh Government in 2022.

The project is currently at RIBA Stage 3 with the planning submission expected in early summer of 2024. The current programme would see construction taking place between Spring 2025 and Summer 2026. There are risks associated with the planning submission and failure to secure approval would see a need for a re-think of the proposals. This would delay the project with an alternative project coming forward in this first element of the rolling programme.

This is a new project for inclusion within the Programme

**Ysgol y Castell, Rhuddlan** – This project will allow a small extension to 4 classrooms and improvements to general areas of the school. The project will increase the capacity of the school in response to the recent completion of new housing in the village. The secured section 106 contribution is proposed to be used as match funding to enable this project to progress. The scheme has been developed to RIBA Stage 3 with planning permission obtained for the project in September 2023. The Outline Business Justification for the project will be submitted during 2024 with a view to construction commencing shortly afterwards.

#### **Years 4-6**

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The following projects were part of Denbighshire's Band B proposals and are intended to be taken over into the rolling programme.

**Ysgol Pendref, Denbigh** – This project will consolidate provision for the existing 3-11 primary school which is based on two adjoining sites. Both buildings are considered to be in grade C condition and have issues around accessibility and flexibility. The project is currently at RIBA Stage 1. The progression of the current project has involved lengthy discussions around site selection. The conclusion of this has seen a focus now on the existing school site with the options of remodelling and extensions or new build the focus of the current feasibility studies. The current programme would see construction taking place during 2027 to 2028.

**Ysgol Bryn Collen / Ysgol Gwernant, Llangollen** – This project will provide an upgrade to the existing accommodation for the two primary schools in Llangollen and to ensure future need can be met, particularly for Welsh medium education. Ysgol Gwernant was established as a Welsh medium school in the Ysgol Bryn

Collen site in 2005 and has grown in size. The present arrangements provide limited demarcation between the two schools and the restrictions in provision are impacting delivery in the schools. This project was considered as part of the Sustainable Schools Challenge in late 2022. A revised approach has now been adopted. The project is currently at RIBA Stage 1. Upon completion of this stage the project will be on hold pending design work being resumed in 2026. The current programme would see construction taking place between 2027 and 2029.

**Denbigh High School, Denbigh** – This project will see the refurbishment / remodelling of the 11-18 English medium secondary school in the town of Denbigh. The project is heavily linked to the Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn project as the secondary provision of Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn is delivered from the Denbigh High School and the proposed location of the new Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn is one of the High School playing fields. The proposal would see the High School utilising the accommodation vacated by Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn and the current accommodation being evaluated for areas which can be demolished, remodelled or rebuilt. The project is at the design brief stage pending the planning determination of the Ysgol Plas Brondyffryn project. The current programme would see construction taking place between 2027 and 2029.

## **Years 7-9**

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### **Primary School Provision**

The focus during 2026 – 2027 will be to identify areas for investment in the primary school estate between 2030 to 2033. At present demand for places sees 5 of Denbighshire's 45 primary schools having a deficit of spaces in excess of 10%. Particularly pressures exist in the North of the County and the focus will be on the areas around Rhyl, Bodelwyddan, St Asaph and Denbigh. This will be reviewed in greater detail to reflect where intervention may be needed via extension of provision. This will need to reflect expectations around reductions in pupil numbers over the next ten years which will create challenges for individual schools.

### **Secondary School Provision**

The investment taken place as part of Band A together with the project to be delivered in Years 1 to 6 at Denbigh will have seen 50% of secondary schools benefiting from significant investment. The work between 2026-2027 in advance of the next SOP will be to identify specific investment in the remaining Secondary

Schools, namely Prestatyn High School, St Brigid's School, Ysgol Brynhyfryd and Ysgol Dinas Bran to enhance the poorest areas of accommodation in Denbighshire's secondary schools. This will allow detailed consideration of projects for potential delivery across years 2030 – 33.

### **Additional Support for Pupils**

Over recent years it has become clear that further consideration is needed to support provision for pupils who need additional support beyond what can be provided in mainstream provision but whose needs may not be appropriate for our special schools. The work during 2024-2026 will be to identify the best approach to alternative provision with clearer recommendations emerging in the next SOP.

The pace of progress will be dependent on available resources and affordability.