

MEETING	Council
DATE	3 May 2018
TITLE	Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board Well-being Plan
PURPOSE	To Approve the Well-being Plan
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1. PRESENTATION AND RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 1.1. The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 places a duty on Public Services Boards to publish a Well-being Plan which outlines how it intends to improve the well-being of the area's residents. In order to achieve this, every Public Service Board is expected to publish a **Well-being Plan by May 2018**.
- 1.2. The Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board contains representation at the highest level from the main public bodies in the area. Among the statutory membership are Gwynedd and Anglesey Councils, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority and Natural Resources Wales.
- 1.3. The first stage of the work of creating the Well-being Plan was to undertake an assessment of local well-being and carry out research in order to understand and learn more about those areas. In addition, several public consultation sessions were held in these areas in order to gather more information and give residents an opportunity to have their say.
- 1.4. In May 2017, Assessments of Local Well-being for the Gwynedd and Anglesey areas were published with both counties split into 14 smaller areas (eight in Gwynedd and six in Anglesey).
- 1.5. Having considered the data and the views of local people, nine principal messages were highlighted in the assessments for the entire area. A further series of workshops was held in August 2017 based on the main messages identified, in order to discuss how to respond to the matters highlighted.
- 1.6. The Board considered the aforementioned information in creating the Draft Well-being Plan for Gwynedd and Anglesey, published in December 2017. A three-month public consultation on the document was held between December 2017 and March 2018.
- 1.7. Appropriate opportunities were provided for individuals, interest groups and organisations to participate in the consultation by completing a questionnaire that was available on the Board's website; hard copy versions were available at offices, Libraries and Leisure Centres.
- 1.8. At Gwynedd Council, the Communities Scrutiny Committee scrutinised the content of the Draft Well-being Plan at its meeting on 22 February. In summary, they welcomed the document and noted that it identified the main issues needing

attention but they were disappointed that it did not include information about what the Board would do to make the priorities a reality.

- 1.9. The need to think differently, empowering communities and putting them at the centre was emphasised but funding was identified as a factor that could constrain delivery. It was agreed that the economy, high value jobs and housing supply for local people needed prioritisation.
- 1.10. In its meeting on 13 March 2018, the Cabinet also approved the Council's response to the Statutory Consultation on the Gwynedd and Anglesey Draft Well-being Plan.
- 1.11. 90 responses were received as part of the public consultation and a number of the comments supported the proposal. Other comments for improvement made by the Board were mentioned in the final version of the plan; other points are yet to be considered and these will receive attention over the coming year.

2. GWYNEDD AND ANGLESEY WELL-BEING PLAN

- 2.1. A copy of the final version of the Gwynedd and Anglesey Well-being Plan is contained in **Appendix 1**.
- 2.2. The plan outlines how the Board intends to make a real difference to the lives of residents by working together in order to deliver results for the entire area.
- 2.3. The **Well-being Aims** have been drawn up following an analysis of the main messages that emerged from the Well-being Assessment, and the results of other research and assessments have been considered e.g. Regional Population Assessment in the field of health and care.
- 2.4. There are two well-being objectives with six priorities, which we will target in order to achieve the objectives. It is noted that these priorities are based on the messages which were highlighted as part of the Well-being Assessment.

1. Communities that thrive and flourish in the long-term

- The Welsh language
- Homes for local people
- The effect of poverty on the well-being of our communities
- The effect of climate change on the well-being of communities

2. Residents that are healthy and independent and have a good standard of living

- Health and care of adults
- Welfare and success of children and young people

- 2.5. The Board believes that these are fields in which we could collaborate better, at a time of significant cutbacks in public sector resources, in order to secure the best results for the residents of Gwynedd and Anglesey.

2.6. The priorities highlighted above are consistent with the improvement priorities in the Gwynedd Council Corporate Plan 2018-2023 adopted by the Council in its meeting of 8 March 2018, with one exception, namely the effect of climate change.

2.7. It's important to note that the Well-being Plan is a living document that will change and evolve over time.

3. NEXT STEPS

3.1. As noted, Gwynedd Council is one of the statutory partners of the Gwynedd and Anglesey Public Services Board (together with the Isle of Anglesey County Council, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority and Natural Resources Wales). Although these partners are expected to approve the Well-being Plan, it is the Board who will decide on the content the final plan.

3.2. The next steps are to devise work programmes and identify short, medium and long term action steps for the six priority fields. Details of the Board's response to the priorities will be contained in these.

3.3. The Communities Scrutiny Committee within Gwynedd Council will regularly check the work of the Board and an annual report on the Well-being Plan's progress will be drawn up.

3.4. Over the coming year, the Board will also consider the points that emerged from the public consultation that are yet to be considered.

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1. The Council is invited to approve the Gwynedd and Anglesey Well-being Plan.

Appendix 1 – Gwynedd and Anglesey Well-being Plan