



# Joint Planning Policy Committee

#### 22 June 2012 – 11:00am Committee Room 1, Llangefni

Present:	Gwynedd Council
	Councillor John Wyn Williams
	Councillor Gwen Griffith
	Councillor Dyfrig Jones
	Councillor John Pughe Roberts
	Councillor Dafydd Meurig (Reserve)
	Isle of Anglesey County Council
	Councillor WJ Chorlton
	Councillor H. Eifion Jones
	Councillor Eric Roberts
	Councillor Lewis Davies
	Officers
	Aled Davies (AD) – Head of Regulatory Department (GC)
	Jim Woodcock (JRW) – Head of Planning & Public Protection (IOACC)
	Rhun ap Gareth – Senior Solicitor (GC)
	Gareth Jones (GJ) Environmental Services Manager (GC)
	Nia Haf Davies (NHD) - Joint Planning Policy Unit Manager
	Eirian Harris – Planning Support Assistant – Joint Planning Policy Unit
Apologies:	Councillor Owain Williams (GC)
	Councillor Gethin Williams (GC)
	Councillor R LI Hughes (IOACC)
	Councillor Clive McGregor (IOACC)

# 1. CHAIRMAN

Resolved to elect Councillor John Wyn Williams as chairman of this Committee.

# 2. VICE-CHAIRMAN

Resolved to elect Councillor R LI Hughes as vice-chairman of this Committee.

## 3. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Owain Williams, Gethin Williams, R LI Hughes and Clive McGregor

#### 4. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

No declarations of personal interest were received from any member present.

#### 5. URGENT ITEMS

No urgent matter was submitted.

#### 6. MINUTES

Councillor Gwen Griffiths noted that she was present at the last meeting.

#### 7. JOINT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN PANEL – ITS CONTINUATION AND AGREEMENT REGARDING MEMBERSHIP

ND presented a report which set out information about the current arrangements:

- Remit of the Panel
- Meetings have been held to produce a discussion paper in order to engage the public, specific and general stakeholders about the possible direction of the 'preferred strategy'
- Input for the methodology to assess the sites that will be on the Candidate Site Register
- Consider the evidence base for undertaking a Sustainability Appraisal of the Joint LDP and give input into the assessment framework
- Consider the initial conclusions of the Employment Land Study

A list of future Joint Local Development Plan Panel meetings and Planning Policy Committees was presented (Appendix 2).

Amended Work Programme for the Joint LDP Panel for 2012 – 2013.

- An assessment of the implications of population statistics for Gwynedd and Anglesey that emerge out of the initial results of 2011 Census
- An assessment of the implications of a study to identify opportunities to address the need for accommodation for Wylfa B construction workers
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Level 1
- Review of Landscape Character Areas and Special landscape Areas
- Evidence to support the continuation and revision of policies for affordable housing and needs for other types of accommodation

- Development of the settlement strategy the role and capacity of individual settlements
- Assessments of the conclusions of the Employment Land Study
- Assessment of the conclusions of the Retail Study
- Assessment of the implications of tourism strategies

Members were asked for their comments whether or not to continue with the current arrangements, i.e. that all members of the Joint Planning Policy Committee will sit on the Joint Local Development Plan Panel.

Resolved that the same members would sit on both Panel and Committee, continuing with the same arrangements.

Resolved that the Committee's Reserve Members would also serve the Panel and receive reports and papers.

## 8. JOINT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – PROGRESS REPORT

ND presented a report which outlines the progress so far and to impart information on the work programme and timetable.

- Table 1 shows steps in the work programme as presented in the Delivery Agreement
- Table 2 shows lower tier milestones that allow us to achieve the statutory steps as seen in Table 1
- Table 3 gives information on technical studies and topic papers
- Table 4 shows the proposed order of reporting and the relationship between the Joint Planning Policy Committee and other relevant committees
- Table 5 shows the amended timetable for the preparatory process for the Joint Local Development Plan

Table 1:

The Unit are currently in the middle stage 2 - 3 namely reviewing and developing the evidence base which includes input from the public and other stakeholders. This stage allows us to collect most of the evidence which will influence the contents of the Joint Local Development Plan.

Seminars have been held (1 in Môn and 2 in Gwynedd – due to its size) to receive comments and input from all Members.

#### Table 2:

Work on the Sustainability Assessment and Strategic Environment Assessment has been undertaken and completed by Enfusion as showing in the timetable.

Suggestions received regarding options for the Candidate Sites Register

#### Table 3:

A number of papers are being prepared and work is on-going on numerous technical assessments.

#### Table 4:

The comparison between Table 4 and the Delivery Agreement shows a slippage of approximately 3 months. Matters that affected the timetable was the requests for Candidate Sites and the inputting of information. Also, resources have had to re-directed to other projects e.g. preparation of the Onshore Wind Turbines SPG and dealing with responses from the public consultation.

It was reported that, whilst some preliminary information from the 2011 Census would be released during 2012, detailed information would not be not be published until September 2013. It is anticipated that this would coincide with the publication of the mid 2011 population and household projections. Given the weight applied by the Planning Inspectorate and the Welsh Government to projections, it was considered that the slight slippage may prove advantageous because the information will have to be assessed prior to the Public Local Inquiry

Officers requested support for the work programme and revised timetable, advising that every effort will be made to achieve the overall timetable set out in the approved Delivery Agreement, i.e. to have an adopted Plan in place by April 2016.

# Resolved to support the work programme and the revised timetable