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Meeting

**THE COUNCIL**

Date and Time

**1.30 pm, THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH, 2025**

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Location

**Hybrid - Siambr Dafydd Orwig, Swyddfeydd y Cyngor, Caernarfon LL55 1SH**

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**WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2025**

Dear Councillor,

**MEETING OF CYNGOR GWYNEDD – THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 2025**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to attend a multi-location meeting of **CYNGOR GWYNEDD** which will be held at **1.30 pm** on **THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH, 2025** in **SIAMBR DAFYDD ORWIG, SWYDDFEYDD Y CYNGOR, CAERNARFON LL55 1SH / VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM**, to consider the matters mentioned in the following agenda.

Yours faithfully,



Head of Democracy Services

The following rooms will be available for the political groups during the morning: -

Plaid Cymru - Siambr Dafydd Orwig  
Independent – Siambr Hywel Dda  
Lib / Lab – Ystafell Ogwen

# AGENDA

## 1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence.

## 2. MINUTES

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The Chair shall propose that the minutes of the previous meeting of the Council held on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 be signed as a true record.

## 3. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

To receive any declarations of personal interest.

## 4. THE CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any Chair's announcements.

## 5. URGENT ITEMS

To note any items which are urgent business in the opinion of the Chair so they may be considered.

## 6. QUESTIONS

- (a) To consider any questions from members of the public, the appropriate notice for which have been given under Section 4.17 of the Constitution.

Question by Mr Ieuan Wyn (address provided in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution).

**It is completely unacceptable that Gwynedd pupils from Welsh-speaking households and non-Welsh-speaking households receive less Welsh-medium provision than Welsh school pupils in less-Welsh communities in other parts of our nation. Children and young people, parents and communities in Gwynedd deserve schools where the most comprehensive Welsh-medium provision is being offered. This is what would be educationally, culturally and socially appropriate. As a result of the fact that the Welsh Government has published an education bill and that a language shift is intensifying considerably in the county, will Cyngor Gwynedd take this golden and crucial opportunity to replace a dated education language policy and introduce an ambitious, clear and completely new education language policy for their schools?**

- (b) To consider any questions from elected members, the

appropriate notice for which have been given under Section 4.18 of the Constitution.

- 7. ANNUAL REPORT - PAY POLICY FOR THE WORKFORCE** 21 - 31  
To submit the report of the Chair of the Chief Officer Appointments Committee.
- 8. ADAPTATION TO PROJECTS UNDER 'A CARING GWYNEDD' - CYNGOR GWYNEDD PLAN** 32 - 34  
To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Adults, Health and Well-being.
- 9. 2025-26 BUDGET** 35 - 92  
To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance.
- 10. CAPITAL STRATEGY 2025-26 (INCLUDING INVESTMENT AND BORROWING STRATEGIES)** 93 - 133  
To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance.
- 11. ESTABLISHING THE NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE JOINT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** 134 - 148  
To submit the report of the Monitoring Officer.
- 12. COMMUNITY REVIEWS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEMOCRACY) (WALES) ACT 2013** 149 - 165  
To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Corporate and Legal Services.
- 13. AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION - CABINET PORTFOLIOS** 166 - 167  
To submit the report of the Monitoring Officer.
- 14. CONSTITUTION CHANGES - NEW CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES (SECTION 17)** 168 - 188  
To submit the report of the Monitoring Officer.
- 15. COMMITTEES CALENDAR 2025-26** 189 - 191  
To submit the report of the Head of Democracy Services.
- 16. NOTICES OF MOTION**  
**(A) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR ELWYN EDWARDS**

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.19 of the Constitution, Councillor Elwyn Edwards will propose as follows:-

**Cyngor Gwynedd calls on the Labour Government in Westminster to transfer the Justice Jurisdiction to the Senedd in Cardiff.**

In 2017, the Labour Party established a commission to look at the possibility of transferring the responsibility for this in Wales to the Welsh Government. The commission was led by Lord Thomas of Cwmagedd, the former chief officer for Justice in England and Wales. His robust recommendation to the government was that there was an actual need to devolve the Justice Service in Wales to Wales, establishing a separate Welsh jurisdiction.

Scotland and Northern Ireland have their own Justice system, but Wales is attached to England. Wales is the only country in the world that has the legislation, but not the authority to implement this.

Although there is increasing demand to create a separate Welsh Jurisdiction and to devolve powers to the Welsh Government, neither the Tory nor Labour Governments have made any shift towards achieving this.

Therefore, we ask the Labour Government in Westminster to act on the recommendation made by Lord Thomas.

We ask all Welsh councils for their support.

## **(B) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR ELFED WYN AP ELWYN**

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.19 of the Constitution, Councillor Elfed Wyn ap Elwyn will propose as follows:-

**The Council calls on the Westminster Government to devolve powers for broadcasting and media to the Senedd, and for the Welsh Government to proceed with the work of preparing and discussing with Westminster how best to realise this.**

## **17. RESPONSES / UPDATES TO PREVIOUS NOTICES OF MOTION** 192 - 204

- (1) Letter from the UK Government in response to Councillor Meryl Roberts' Notice of Motion to the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024 Council meeting regarding Winter Fuel Payments.
- (2) E-mail from Sian Gwenllian, MS, in response to Councillor Elin Walker Jones' Notice of Motion to the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 Council regarding the establishment of a School of Dentistry in Bangor.
- (3) Letter from the Welsh Government in response to Councillor Rhys Tudur's Notice of Motion to the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 Council meeting regarding Land Transaction Tax.

- (4) Letter from the Welsh Government in response to Councillor John Pughe Roberts' Notice of Motion to the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 Council meeting regarding APR (Agricultural Property Relief).
- (5) Letter from the Welsh Government in response to Councillor Delyth Lloyd Griffiths' Notice of Motion to the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 Council meeting regarding exchanging social housing.
- (6) Letter from the UK Government in response to Councillor June Jones' Notice of Motion to the 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 Council meeting regarding graduated driving licences.

To note also that messages of support for Councillor Elwyn Edwards' Notice of Motion to the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2024 Council meeting calling for St. David's Day to be designated as an official national holiday in Wales have been received from Newport (Pemb) Town Council and Bethesda Community Council.