

NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

(Rule 20(3) of the Corporate Joint Committees (General) (No.2) (Wales) Regulations 2021)

21 June 2024

Virtual Meeting

Present: Chair: Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn (Cyngor Gwynedd)

Councillors: Jason McLellan (Denbighshire County Council), Gary Pritchard (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Ian Roberts (Flintshire County Council), Charlie McCoubrey (Conwy County Borough Council) and Edgar Owen (Eryri National Park Authority).

Chief Officers: Dafydd Gibbard (Cyngor Gwynedd), Dylan Williams (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Fran Lewis (Conwy County Borough Council), Andrew Farrow (Flintshire Council), Ian Bancroft (Wrexham County Borough Council), Gary Williams (Denbighshire Council) and Iwan Jones (Eryri National Park Authority).

Statutory Officers

Dewi Morgan (Chief Finance Officer) and Iwan G Evans (Monitoring Officer).

Other officers present

Alwen Williams (Interim Chief Executive of the CJC), Sian Pugh (Assistant Head of Finance), Delyth Jones Thomas (Investment Manager), Claire Incedon (Solicitor) Eirian Roberts (Democracy Service Officer).

Apologies:

- Councillor Llinos Medi Huws (Isle of Anglesey County Council) with Councillor Gary Pritchard deputising;
- Councillor Mark Pritchard (Wrexham County Borough Council)
- Rhun ap Gareth (Conwy County Borough Council) with Fran Lewis deputising;
- Neal Cockerton (Flintshire County Council) with Andrew Farrow deputising;
- Graham Boase (Denbighshire Council) with Gary Williams deputising;
- Emyr Williams (Eryri National Park Authority) with Iwan Jones deputising.

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SUBJECT

Item 1: CHAIR

DECISION:

To appoint Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn as Chair for 2024/25.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

There were no declarations of personal interest or any protocol matters.

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Item 2: VICE-CHAIR

DECISION:

To appoint Councillor Mark Pritchard as Vice-chair for 2024/25.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

There were no declarations of personal interest or any protocol matters.

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SUBJECT

Item 7: TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT FOR 2024/25

DECISION:

To accept and approve the Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2024/25.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

There were no declarations of personal interest or any protocol matters.

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Item 8: 2023/24 OUT-TURN REPORT AND ANNUAL RETURN

DECISION:

1. To note and accept the Corporate Joint Committee's actual expenditure for 2023/24 as submitted in Appendix 1 to the report.
 2. To obtain the approval of the underspend in 2023/24 to a reserve fund to be earmarked to fund future one-off costs.
 3. To approve the Joint Committee's Official Annual Return for 2023/24 (subject to External Audit), in line with the statutory deadline of 30 June 2024. (It has been duly completed and certified by Cyngor Gwynedd's Head of Finance, as the Statutory Finance Officer for the Joint Committee (Appendix 2 of the report)).
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Item 9: UPDATE: FUNCTIONS OF THE NORTH WALES ECONOMIC AMBITION BOARD - TRANSFER TO THE CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE

DECISION:

1. To accept the report on the progress update on work to establish the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee and respond to the tasks that are required by its statutory functions (Appendix 1 to the report).
 2. To accept the updated plan along with the proposed date from 1 November for transferring the North Wales Growth Deal to the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee.
 3. To approve the interim arrangements to release the Portfolio Director's time for two days per week to undertake the Interim Chief Executive role until 31 October 2024. (All employment and associated costs would continue to be covered by the North Wales CJC).
 4. Ask for a further report on progress in the transferring and monitoring proses of the timetable.
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

A declaration of personal interest was received from Alwen Williams, Temporary Chief Executive over the CJC, but because it was important for her to be a part of the general discussion on the Ambition Boards' function's transfer to the CJC, and that there was no discussion on the part of the report regarding extending her secondment in the role, she did not leave the meeting.

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Item 10: APPOINTING CO-OPTED MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEES

DECISION:

1. To appoint as co-opted members to the Corporate Joint Committee as follows:
 - (i) strategic planning sub-committee
 - (ii) strategic transportation sub-committee
2. To authorise the Monitoring Officer to accept (and appoint as co-opted members) changes to the membership of these sub-committees that were informed in writing to the Monitoring Officer, on the condition that this appointment was declared to the Corporate Joint Committee in the next meeting.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Item 11: WELSH LANGUAGE STANDARDS DRAFT COMPLIANCE NOTICE REGULATIONS NUMBER 1

DECISION:

Authorise the Chief Executive to respond to the consultation in consultation with the Chair.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

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Item 12: PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2024-25

DECISION:

To adopt the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee pay policy statement for 2024/25.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Item 13: PROPOSED DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

DECISION:

To approve the draft calendar for the period until May 2025.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

There were no declarations of personal interest or any protocol matters.
