

CYNGOR GWYNEDD CABINET DECISION NOTICE

Date of Cabinet Meeting:	14 October 2025
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SUBJECT

Item 6: LOCAL TOILETS STRATEGY

DECISION

The attached Local Toilets Strategy was accepted and adopted.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Part 8 of the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017 places a duty on all local authorities in Wales to draw up and publish a local toilet strategy for their area. The Act requires regular reviews to be conducted and subsequent progress reports submitted. The current strategy dates back to 2019, and we have updated it as required. The cabinet is therefore asked to adopt the 2025 Local Toilets Strategy.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which were included in the report.

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Item 7: MODERNISING EDUCATION - YSGOL NEBO

DECISION

Permission was granted by the Cabinet to hold a statutory consultation, in accordance with the requirements of section 48 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, on the planned proposal to close Ysgol Nebo on 31 December 2026 and to provide a place for learners at Ysgol Llanllyfni from 1 January 2027 onwards.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Permission is sought to consult on the planned proposal noted in 1.1 as there was a need to address the fragile position of Ysgol Nebo. The number of learners at Ysgol Nebo had been low for some time. According to September 2025 numbers, only 11 Reception to Year 6 learners attend the school and 1 Nursery learner, with projections indicating that the numbers will remain low with projections of 10 Reception to Year 6 learners and 2 Nursery learners on the register by September 2028.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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The Statutory Officers and the Local Member were consulted for their views, which are included in the report.

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Item 8: MODERNISING EDUCATION - YSGOL BALADEULYN

DECISION

Permission was granted by the Cabinet to hold a statutory consultation, in accordance with the requirements of section 48 of the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Act 2013, on the planned proposal to close Ysgol Baladeulyn on 31 December 2026 and to provide a place for the pupils at Ysgol Talysarn from 1 January 2027 onwards.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Permission is sought to consult on the planned proposal noted in 1.1 as there was a need to address the fragile position of Ysgol Baladeulyn. The number of learners at Ysgol Baladeulyn had been low for some time. According to September 2025 numbers, only 6 full-time pupils attend the school with another 2 in Nursery, with projections indicating that the numbers will continue to be low with a projection of 8 full-time learners on the register by September 2028.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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Item 9: GWYNEDD AND ANGLESEY ALN AND INCLUSION AGREEMENT

DECISION

To commission the Head of Education Department to plan to establish a new Additional Learning Needs Service by September 2026, to meet the needs of Gwynedd pupils in the future and consequently revoke the historical collaboration arrangement with the Isle of Anglesey Council.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The increasing pressures and increase in the complexities of Additional Learning Needs in the county means that we need to remodel the current service so that we can provide services which are fit-for-purpose to meet the needs of the county's pupils. Cabinet support is required to change the provision, starting by redesigning the specialist support services provided to pupils in mainstream schools. As a first step, the Department has already reviewed the Inclusion provision, and the Cabinet resolved to establish new Inclusion Units. This report deals with the second step in the required changes to ensure that we can cope with the substantial increase in the demand for ALN support since the Covid period.

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Item 10: ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT: LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2024/25

DECISION

To receive Annual Monitoring Report 7 (Appendix 1) and to submit it to Government by the end of October 2025.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005 set out the need to monitor the Local Development Plan (LDP) annually and to submit an Annual Monitoring Report to the Welsh Government by 31st October each year.

Members of the Cabinet will recall from the AMR presented last year, as joint working arrangement between Cyngor Gwynedd and the Isle of Anglesey County Council on Planning Policy matters has now come to an end, the contents of the AMR and subsequent AMR will solely focus on evidence specifically relevant to the Gwynedd Local Planning Authority. The information presented in this report will serve as valuable evidence to support the preparation of the Local Development Plan (LDP).

The Report presents the seventh Annual Monitoring Report for the period 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025 along with the Planning Policy Working Group's comments on the document.

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Item 11: CLIMATE AND NATURE EMERGENCY PLAN: ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25

DECISION

To consider and approve the Climate and Nature Emergency Plan: Annual Report 2024/25.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- i. Cyngor Gwynedd issued a climate emergency declaration in March 2019 which led to the publication of the Climate and Nature Emergency Plan 2022/23 - 2029/30 (CNEP) in March 2022. The CNEP is also one of the projects within the Green Gwynedd heading in The Cyngor Gwynedd Plan 2023-28.
 - ii. The Climate and Nature Emergency Plan became operational at the beginning of 2022/23 and since then annual reports for 2022/23 and 2023/24 have been published following approval by the Cabinet.
 - iii. Much of the work described in this Annual Report has already been scrutinised by the Climate and Nature Board and through the Council's internal performance challenge arrangements, but the annual report brings all the information together for the first time.
 - iv. Following the same procedure as in previous years, this is an opportunity for Cabinet to decide whether they are satisfied that the Annual Report at Annex 1 provides an accurate and balanced picture of the work delivered during 2024/25 to meet the ambition of the Climate and Nature Emergency Plan.
 - v. According to Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, public authorities operating in Wales have a duty to maintain and improve biodiversity and to promote the strength of ecosystems. We report on the progress against the 'Section 6 duty' within the Climate and Nature Emergency Plan Annual Report 2024/25.
 - vi. A draft version of the Annual Report was discussed at a meeting of Cyngor Gwynedd's Communities Scrutiny Committee on 18 September, and the committee's comments are summarised in 4. below.
 - vii. Cabinet can also offer comments and guidance on the future work of the Climate and Nature Emergency Plan.
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No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which were included in the report. The report was presented to the Communities Scrutiny Committee and they have noted recommendations, that have been included in the report.

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Item 12: DINAS DINLLE CAR PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN

DECISION

To support the proposal in the report to proceed with the process for making a permanent off-street parking order in Dinas Dinlle Car Park.

To delegate authority to the Head of Economy and Community in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Economy and Community and the Head of Legal Services and in accordance with the Regulations to prepare a draft order, publish a Notice of Intention to make the order with a public consultation period, collate and consider all responses, respond to objectors and modify the proposal if necessary and, subject to these processes Make the final Order and publish a Notice of Making an Order.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Cabinet approval is sought to proceed with the legal steps of introducing a permanent Off-street Parking Order for Dinas Dinlle car park, by following the statutory procedure as set out in the Traffic Orders to Local Authorities (Order) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

The Cabinet is requested to approve the intention of making a new order and ensure that the Councils acts in accordance with the relevant regulations and requirements.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Councillor Llio Elenid Owen declared a personal interest, as she was the Local Member. The member was of the opinion that it was not a prejudicial interest, and she did not leave the meeting during the discussion.

ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which were included in the report.

A public consultation was held between 16 August and 30 September 2024, and the main conclusions are included in the report.
