

Meeting

**NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE**

Date and Time

**10.00 am, WEDNESDAY, 11TH JUNE, 2025**

Location

**Canolfan Busnes Conwy Business Centre**

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## **NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE**

### **Council Members**

Cllr. Jason McLellan- Denbighshire County Council  
Cllr. Gary Pritchard - Isle of Anglesey County Council  
Cllr. Charlie McCoubury - Conwy County Borough Council  
Cllr. Mark Pritchard - Wrexham County Borough Council  
Cllr. Dave Hughes - Flintshire County Council  
Cllr. Nia Jeffeys - Cyngor Gwynedd

### **Eryri Member**

Cllr. Edgar Wyn Owen – Eryri National Park Authority - planning matters only

### **Chief Officers**

Dafydd Gibbard - Cyngor Gwynedd  
Dylan Williams - Isle of Anglesey County Council  
Rhun ap Gareth - Conwy County Borough Council  
Neal Cockerton - Flintshire County Council  
Graham Boase - Denbighshire County Council  
Alwyn Jones – Interim CEO - Wrexham County Borough Council

### **Statutory Officers**

Alwen Williams – Interim Corporate Joint Committee Chief Executive  
Dewi Aeron Morgan – Chief Finance Officer  
Iwan G Evans – Monitoring Officer

## **A G E N D A**

### **1. APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies for absence.

### **2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST**

To receive any declaration of Personal Interest.

### **3. URGENT BUSINESS**

To note any items that are a matter of urgency in the view of the Chair for consideration.

### **4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

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The Chair shall propose that the minutes of the previous meeting held 8th of May 2025 be signed as a true record.

### **5. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The Chairman shall propose that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion on the following items due to the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12, Part 4, Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

This paragraph should apply because the report contains information regarding individuals and the individuals in question are entitled to privacy and there is no overriding public interest that requires the disclosure of personal information relating to those individuals, nor their identities. Consequently, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

### **6. INTERVIEW CANDIDATES FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE POST**

To interview candidates for the post

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## NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE

08/05/25

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**Present:** Chair: Councillor Mark Pritchard (Wrexham County Borough Council)

**Councillors:** Dave Hughes (Flintshire County Council), Nia Jeffreys (Cyngor Gwynedd), Charlie McCoubrey (Conwy County Borough Council), Gary Pritchard (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Jason McLellan (Denbighshire County Council)

**Chief Officers:** Dafydd Gibbard (Cyngor Gwynedd), Rhun ap Gareth (Conwy County Borough Council), and Graham Boase (Denbighshire County Council)

**Others Invited:** David Fitzsimon (Wrexham County Borough Council)

**Other officers present:** Iwan Evans (Monitoring Officer - Cyngor Gwynedd), Eurig Williams (Human Resources Advisory Services Manager - Cyngor Gwynedd) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer - Cyngor Gwynedd)

### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Dylan Williams (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Neal Cockerton (Flintshire County Council) and Alwyn Jones (Wrexham County Borough Council)

### 2. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Graham Boase (Denbighshire Council) as he is a personal friend of one of the candidates.

The Member was of the opinion that it was a prejudicial interest, and he withdrew from taking part in the discussion.

The Members and other Chief Officers noted that they knew some of the candidates in a professional, but not personal capacity.

### 3. URGENT ITEMS

None to note.

### 4. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

**RESOLVED** to exclude the press and public from the meeting during the discussion on the following items due to the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 12, Part 4, Appendix 12A, Local Government Act 1972.

**This paragraph is relevant because the report contains information about specific individuals who have the right to privacy. There is no public interest that calls for disclosing personal information about these individuals. Consequently, the public**

**interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.**

**5. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR THE CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE - SHORTLISTING**

Dafydd Gibbard (Chief Executive of Cyngor Gwynedd) reported that ten applications had been received for the post with four meeting the essential criteria of the post's requirements in full.

Members were convinced that the post had been adequately advertised and that the wide range of candidates was evidence of this.

It was proposed and seconded to place four candidates on the shortlist.

**RESOLVED:**

**TO PLACE FOUR CANDIDATES ON THE SHORTLIST FOR APPOINTING A CHIEF EXECUTIVE FOR THE CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE**

In elaborating on the next steps, it was highlighted that the candidates would be invited to participate in a series of online exercises and with business psychologists. It was added that an Assessment Centre would be held, along with further assessment arrangements led by the Host Authority. Feedback from candidates' responses and performance in the exercises and assessment centre would be presented verbally to the Joint Corporate Committee on the day of the interviews.

The topic of a 10-minute presentation for the candidates was discussed along with six questions (in draft form) for the interviews. Following the feedback received, it was reported that a final version of the questions would be shared with Members before the day of the interviews.

The officers were thanked for the thorough work and for completing the process in accordance with the procedure.

The meeting started at 10:00 and ended at 11:00

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(Chair)