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

18 July 2025

Virtual Meeting

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

Councillors: Dave Hughes (Flintshire County Council), Menna Trenholme (Cyngor Gwynedd), Charlie McCoubrey (Conwy County Borough Council), Gary Pritchard (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Jason McLellan (Denbighshire County Council) and Edgar Owen (Chair of the Eryri National Park Authority)

Chief Executives of Constituent Councils: Geraint Owen (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 (Wrexham County Borough Council) and Jonathan Cawley (Eryri National Park Authority)

Other officers present: Alwen Williams (Chief Executive of the CJC), Claire Incledon (Deputy Acting Monitoring Officer – CJC), Dewi Aeron Morgan (CJC Statutory Finance Officer), Sian Pugh (Assistant Head of Finance – Cyngor Gwynedd), Sara Jane Jones (Senior Accountant – Cyngor Gwynedd), Allan Pitt (ARUP), Iain Taylor (AMION Consulting), Andy Roberts (Strategic Development Planning Officer CJC), David Hole (Action Programme Lead CJC) and Annes Sion (Democracy Team Leader - Cyngor Gwynedd)

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Cllr Nia Jeffreys (Cyngor Gwynedd) and Dafydd Gibbard (Cyngor Gwynedd).

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SUBJECT

ITEM 5: NORTH WALES AMBITION BOARD - DETAILED AUDIT PLAN 2025

DECISION:

To accept the Audit Wales report which highlighted the NWEAB's Audit Plan for 2024.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

ITEM 6 - NORTH WALES ECONOMIC AMBITION BOARD'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2024/25

DECISION:

To accept and note NWEAB's draft Statement of Accounts (subject to audit) for 2024/25.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

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SUBJECT

ITEM 7: UPDATE OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

DECISION:

To approve the appointment of the following co-opted members to the CJC's Planning and Strategic Transport Sub-committees.

The membership of the sub-committees was noted as follows:

Strategic Transport Sub-committee	
Name	County
Cllr Craig ab lago	Cyngor Gwynedd
CHAIR	
Cllr Goronwy Edwards	Conwy County Borough Council
VICE-CHAIR	
Cllr David A Bithell	Wrexham County Borough Council
Cllr Gary Pritchard	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Clir Barry Mellor	Denbighshire County Council
Cllr Glyn Banks	Flintshire County Council

Strategic Planning sub-committee	
Name	County
Cllr Craig ab lago	Cyngor Gwynedd
Cllr Chris Cater	Conwy County Borough Council
VICE-CHAIR	
Cllr Hugh Jones	Wrexham County Borough Council
CHAIR	
Cllr Nicola Roberts	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Cllr Alan James	Denbighshire County Council

Cllr Richard Jones	Flintshire County Council
Cllr Edgar Owen	Eryri National Park Authority

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

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ITEM 8: UPDATE ON THE STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR NORTH WALES - DELIVERY AGREEMENT

DECISION:

Members noted the update on progress with preparing a Delivery Agreement for the Strategic Development Plan for North Wales and the key issues highlighted that will need future resolution.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

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SUBJECT

ITEM 9: NORTH WALES REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLAN - POST CONSULTATION

DECISION:

To approve the North Wales Regional Transport Plan and supporting documentation for submission to the Welsh Government for approval and publication by the Minister in September 2025.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

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SUBJECT

ITEM 11: FLINTSHIRE AND WREXHAM INVESTMENT ZONE – UPDATE AND PROPOSED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

DECISION:

The Update Report was accepted and the work between the Investment Zone team, the Welsh Government and the UK Government was noted to determine an acceptable allocation within the £160m for the cost of tax relief linked to the occupation and development of Investment Zone Tax Sites.

The proposed draft Memorandum of Understanding was approved for the Flintshire and Wrexham Investment Zone and to delegate to the Chief Executive and Monitoring Officer of the CJC, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-chair of the CJC to agree and complete the final document.

A further report was requested to the CJC in September 2025 with detailed proposals for the North Wales Innovation Board.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

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