

NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

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

7 November 2025

Hybrid Meeting

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

Councillors: Dave Hughes (Flintshire County Council), Nia Jeffreys (Cyngor Gwynedd), Julie Fallon (Conwy County Borough Council), Gary Pritchard (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Jason McLellan (Denbighshire County Council) and Edgar Owen (Chair of Eryri National Park Authority)

Chief Executives of Constituent Councils: Dafydd Gibbard (Cyngor Gwynedd), Dylan Williams (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Rhun ap Iarheit (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: Iwan Evans (Monitoring Officer – Cyngor Gwynedd), Dewi Aeron Morgan (CJC Statutory Finance Officer), Sara Jane Jones (Senior Accountant Officer – Cyngor Gwynedd), Nia Medi Williams (Operations and Resources Manager – Ambition North Wales), Hedd Vaughan-Evans (Head of Operations - Ambition North Wales), Claire Incledon (CJC Deputy Acting Monitoring Officer), Iain Taylor (AMION Consulting), David Hole (CJC Implementation Programme Lead), Angharad Williams (Programme Support Officer – Ambition North Wales), Eiliw Hughes (Growth Deal Programme Manager – Ambition North Wales), David Mathews (Land and Property Programme Manager – Ambition North Wales), Meghan Davies (Energy and Net Zero Programme Manager – Ambition North Wales), Stuart Whitfield (Digital Programme Manager – Ambition North Wales), Andy Roberts (CJC Operational Programme Manager – Ambition North Wales), Adam Graham (Senior Transport Officer – Ambition North Wales), Allan Pitt (ARUP), Gareth Ashman (UK Government), Wendy Boddington (Welsh Government), and Sera Whitley (Democracy Services Officer – Cyngor Gwynedd).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Alwen Williams (CJC Chief Executive) and Sian Pugh (Assistant Head of Finance – Cyngor Gwynedd).

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SUBJECT

ITEM 1: ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

DECISION:

Cllr Jason McLellan was elected as Vice-chair of the Joint Committee for 2025/26.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
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 5: FLINTSHIRE AND WREXHAM INVESTMENT ZONE

DECISION:

The Update Report was accepted and the work undertaken by Flintshire County Council and Wrexham County Borough Council and the Investment Zone team, Welsh Government and UK Government was noted.

A draft Inter-Authority Agreement (IAA) was approved between the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee (CJC), Flintshire County Council and Wrexham County Borough Council, delegating the right to agree and finalise the final version to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Monitoring Officer, Section 151 Officer, the Vice-chair and Leader of Denbighshire County Council, as the appointed representatives of the Flintshire and Wrexham Investment Zone Advisory Board.

A Year 1 and 2 Schedule of Projects, activities and milestones drafted to support the Annual Delivery Plan was approved.

A draft Memorandum of Understanding was approved, delegating the right to agree and finalise the final version to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Monitoring Officer, Section 151 Officer, the Vice-chair and Leader of Denbighshire County Council, as the appointed representatives of the Flintshire and Wrexham Investment Zone Advisory Board.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

Cllr Mark Pritchard (Wrexham County Borough Council) and Cllr Dave Hughes (Flintshire Council) for Item 5 due to personal matters. The members were not of the opinion that they were prejudicial interests, and they did not leave the meeting during the discussion.

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ITEM 7: REGIONAL TRANSPORT FUND YEAR 1 PROGRAMME

DECISION:

A draft Plan Programme was approved for submission to the Welsh Government.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstentions	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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