

**NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE
DECISION NOTICE**

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

19 June 2026

Hybrid Meeting

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

Councillors: Paul Johnson (Flintshire County Council), Nia Jeffreys (Cyngor Gwynedd), Gary Pritchard (Isle of Anglesey County Council), Julie Fallon (Conwy County Borough Council), Jason McLellan (Denbighshire County Council) and Ifor Glyn Lloyd (Chair of Eryri National Park Authority).

Chief Officers of Constituent Councils: Neal Cockerton (Flintshire County Council), Helen White (Denbighshire County Council), Matt Georgiou (Conwy County Borough Council), Alwyn Jones (Wrexham County Borough Council) and Jonathan Cawley (Eryri National Park Authority).

Other officers in attendance: Alwen Williams (CJC Chief Executive), Dewi Morgan (Chief Finance Officer – Cyngor Gwynedd), Sian Pugh (Assistant Head of Finance – Cyngor Gwynedd), Sara Jane Jones (Senior Accountant - Cyngor Gwynedd), Mark Watkins (Monitoring Officer - Ambition North Wales), David Hole (CJC Implementation Programme Manager), Nia Llwyd Lewis, (Service Manager - Welsh Language and Translation), Eleri Jones, (Human Resources Advisory Service Manager), Ffion Williams (Senior Operations Officer - Ambition North Wales), Annes Sion (Democracy Team Leader – Cyngor Gwynedd) and Sera Whitley (Democratic Services Officer - Cyngor Gwynedd).

Apologies:

Apologies were received from:

- Councillor Dave Hughes (Flintshire County Council) with Councillor Paul Johnson deputising.
- Dafydd Gibbard (Cyngor Gwynedd).
- Rhun ap Gareth (Conwy County Borough Council) with Matt Georgiou deputising.
- Nia Medi Williams (Operations and Resources Manager - Ambition North Wales).
- Adam Graham (Senior Transportation Officer – Ambition North Wales).
- Andy Roberts (Regional Strategic Development Planning Officer).

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SUBJECT

ITEM 2: ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR 2026/2027

DECISION:

Cllr Mark Pritchard was elected Chair of the Joint Committee for 2026/27.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	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 3: ELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIR FOR 2026/27

DECISION:

Cllr Jason McLellan was elected Vice-chair of the Joint Committee for 2026/27.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 7: PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS FOR 2026/27

DECISION:

To approve and adopt the draft calendar for 2026/27.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 8: CORPORATE PLANNING

DECISION:

It was resolved to defer the decision to get a better understanding from the new Welsh Government about their views in supporting this model of funding the Local Growth Fund. A report was requested at the next meeting.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 9: THE WELSH LANGUAGE STANDARDS: ANNUAL REPORT

DECISION:

The Welsh Language Standards Annual Report was approved for publication.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 10: COMPLIMENTS, COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS POLICY

DECISION:

Consideration was given to the draft Compliments, Comments and Complaints Policy, and it was approved for adoption.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 11: PAY POLICY STATEMENT 2026/27

DECISION:

Resolved to:

- Adopt the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee pay policy statement for 2026/27 (Appendix 1).
 - To authorise officers to publish the approved Pay Policy Statement on the North Wales Ambition website as soon as reasonably practicable following approval.
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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ITEM 12: 2025/26 REVENUE AND CAPITAL OUT-TURN POSITION

DECISION:

- The CJC's out-turn position for 2025/26 was noted and accepted (Appendix 1), including the transfer of £1,067,414 to the reserves to fund future budgets.
 - The Growth Deal's out-turn position for 2025/26 was noted and accepted (Appendix 2). Due to the underspend reported, to show a neutral position for the year the use of £60,990 from the reserves which was in the budget was not needed, and an amount of £867,731 would be used from the North Wales Growth Deal grant, which is less than shown in the budget.
 - The Growth Deal's reserves position was noted and accepted (Appendix 3).
 - To note the Growth Deal's capital end of year review as of 31 March 2026 (Appendix 4).
 - To note and accept the Investment Zone's out-turn position for 2025/26 (Appendix 5).
 - To note and accept the Regional Skills Partnership's out-turn position for 2025/26 (Appendix 6).
 - The above was noted and accepted subject to further reports to provide further information regarding:
 1. The CJC's staff over the past three years and the plans in moving forward,
 2. providing an analysis of the underspend and the use of reserves over the next few years together with the required percentage of reserves.
 3. Any financial obligations of delaying the levy for 2027-28.
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	5
Abstention	0
Against	1

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ITEM 13: TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT FOR 2025/26

DECISION:

To accept the report for 2025/26.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	6
Abstention	0
Against	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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