
NORTH WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE

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TITLE: Sub-committee – co-opted membership

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1. DECISION SOUGHT

- 1.1. To appoint as co-optees to the following sub-committees of the CJC:
 - (i) strategic planning sub-committee
 - (ii) strategic transportation sub-committee
- 1.2. To authorise the Monitoring Officer to accept (and appoint as co-optees) changes to membership of these sub-committees notified to the Monitoring Officer in writing, provided that those appointments are reported to the CJC at its next meeting.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION

- 2.1. The CJC has statutory responsibility for strategic planning and transportation policy development on a regional basis in respect of the area of each constituent council (and for planning, the Snowdonia National Park). The CJC has determined that two sub-committees be established to undertake this function, reporting matters reserved to the CJC which include the adoption and revision of any plan or policy.

3. BACKGROUND AND RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1. In 2022 the CJC approved the establishment of a Strategic Planning Sub-Committee and a Strategic Transport Sub-Committee, its membership and voting rights. The CJC further approved the Terms of Reference and Standing Orders of the Sub-Committees together with details of the formalities for co-option.
- 3.2. This report identifies those members to be co-opted onto both the sub-committees. The CJC has determined that composition and membership of its sub-committees is through co-option of those members holding the lead portfolio for transportation (6 voting members) and planning (7 voting members including the National Park representative).
- 3.3. Those lead Members (and National Park nominated member) identified for co-option are required to sign a Co-option Agreement that sets out the terms and functions in relation to each sub-committee – a template copy of each is attached as **Appendix 1**. The process of co-option means that there is no scope for deputies attending in absence of the co-opted member (unless a member is party to a job-sharing arrangement).

3.4. Following the decision on co-option both these sub-committees will be convened and timetabled to undertake their respective functions. Part of the initial function of these sub-committees will be to consider whether its membership would benefit from further co-option of non-local government members (non-voting) members e.g. TFW and/or SNPA representation on the strategic transport sub-committee, and to make appropriate recommendations to the CJC in due course.

3.5. The recommendation is to appoint the co-opted membership as follows:

3.5.1 Transport Cabinet Members:

Name	Council
Cllr. Dafydd Meurig	Cyngor Gwynedd
Cllr. Goronwy Edwards	Conwy County Borough Council
Cllr. David A Bithell	Wrexham County Borough Council
Cllr. Dafydd Rhys Thomas	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Cllr. Barry Mellor	Denbighshire County Council
Cllr. Dave Hughes	Flintshire County Council

3.5.2. Planning Cabinet Members & National Parks representative:

Name	Council
Cllr. Edgar Wyn Owen	Snowdonia National Park
Cllr. Dafydd Meurig	Cyngor Gwynedd
Cllr. Chris Cater	Conwy County Borough Council
Cllr. Hugh Jones	Wrexham County Borough Council
Cllr. Nicola Roberts	Isle of Anglesey County Council
Cllr. Alan James	Denbighshire County Council
Cllr. Christopher Bithell	Flintshire County Council

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1: Co-option Agreement

STATUTORY OFFICERS RESPONSE:

i. Monitoring Officer:

Author of the report.

ii. Statutory Finance Officer:

“No comments from the perspective of financial propriety.”