

## CYNGOR GWYNEDD – Report to Cyngor Gwynedd Cabinet

<b>Title of item:</b>	<i>Supporting People Programme Annual Report 2025/26</i>
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	<i>Councillor Nia Wyn Jeffreys, Council Leader</i>
<b>Relevant officer:</b>	<i>Catrin Thomas, Corporate Director</i>
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	<i>7 July 2026</i>

### 1. Decision Sought:

1.1 The Cabinet is asked to accept the report presented, which provides an overview of the work of the Supporting People Programme for the year 2025/26.

### 2. The reason why the Cabinet needs to make the decision:

2.1 Presenting the report enables the Cabinet to scrutinise progress against the objectives of the Supporting People Programme, understand the impact of the work undertaken across the Council and with partners.

### 3. Background / Introduction

3.1 The Council's Supporting People Programme forms part of the Council Plan 2023–2028 under Caring Gwynedd, with strong links to the equality agenda and wider well-being objectives. New governance arrangements were introduced in 2025 under the leadership of the new Cabinet.

3.2 The programme focuses on three main areas of work:

- **Cost of Living Support:** To ensure that Gwynedd residents receive and claim everything they are entitled to in order to help with the cost of living.
- **Community Hubs:** To ensure that Gwynedd residents can access support, information and certain Council services closer to home, within their communities.
- **Our Way of Working:** To ensure that the Council works with Gwynedd residents in a way that places their needs at the centre and supports them to access assistance from our services.

- 3.3 The programme is led by the Council Leader, Councillor Nia Jeffreys, with support from Catrin Thomas, Corporate Director, and is overseen by a Working Group that meets quarterly.
- 3.4 The Working Group includes representation from every Department to reflect the breadth of services provided by the Council and to ensure that the programme is prioritised across the authority.
- 3.5 This is the first year that the work of the Supporting People Programme has been presented as a cross-departmental corporate annual report. The aim of the report is to provide a clear picture of the breadth and scope of the work taking place across the Council and with partners to support Gwynedd residents.
- 3.6 The report includes a combination of data, information on activities and initiatives, together with case studies and real-life stories that demonstrate the impact this work is having on residents' lives.

#### **4. Views of the Statutory Officers**

##### **4.1 Chief Finance Officer**

The report summarises the activities of 2025/26 and does not create new spending commitments. I support the contents of the report as a fair and accurate reflection of the work done in this important area.

##### **4.2 Monitoring Officer**

I am satisfied with the propriety of the decision sought and welcome the report

#### **List of Appendices:**

- **Supporting People Programme Annual Report 2025/26**