

MEETING	Communities Scrutiny Committee
DATE	5 June 2025
TITLE	Environment Cabinet Member Performance Report
REASON TO SCRUTINISE	To report to the Scrutiny Committee on the performance of the Environment Department
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1. Why it needs to be scrutinised?

In order for the Members of the Communities Scrutiny Committee to be satisfied that I, the Cabinet Member for Environment, have a handle on performance issues within the Department.

2. Background / Introduction

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to update you on what has been achieved in the area for which I am responsible as Cabinet Member for Environment. This includes an update on the commitments in the Council's Plan and the Department's day-to-day work for the period to the end of March 2025.
- 2.2 We are implementing the Council's Plan 2023-28, and here I report on the progress made up to the end of 2024-25. All issues have been the subject of discussion and scrutiny in challenging and support performance meetings, and I am satisfied with the performance of the Department.

3. Council Plan Projects Performance

- 3.1 The Environment Department leads on five priorities in the Council Plan 2023-2028, namely:
 - Management of second homes and short-term holiday accommodation;
 - New Local Development Plan;
 - Waste and Recycling;
 - Active Travel;
 - Public Transport.
- 3.2 I am very satisfied with the work that has been achieved during 2024-2025, and the progress made against the milestones set for the five priorities last year are detailed in Appendix 1.

4. Day to day work of the Department

- 4.1 Appendix 2 contains the performance measures for Services across the Department. The detailed report in Appendix 2 includes data on the most recent period, along with further context and explanation that provides further detail on the performance of all areas during 2024-25.

- 4.2 The Environment Department includes a range of areas and responsibilities, the vast majority being frontline services that provide key services to the county's residents. I would like to thank the Department's staff for their commitment, and I am confident that their hard work is appreciated by the people of Gwynedd.

5. Consultation

The report has been prepared based on information and the content of a recent meeting to challenge and support the performance of the Environment Department, with the Chief Executive, Head of Department, Assistant Heads of Department and Service Managers.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Progress reports on Council Plan projects

Appendix 2: The Council's Performance Indicators