

MEETING:	THE COUNCIL
DATE	22 OCTOBER 2009
TITLE	AMENDING THE DELEGATION SCHEME FOR OFFICERS
PURPOSE	TO ADD DELEGATED POWERS FOR THE NORTH WALES TRUNK ROAD AGENCY MANAGER
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1. Gwynedd Council is responsible for the operation of the North Wales Trunk Road Agency on behalf of the Assembly. It does so in partnership with the other North Wales councils.
2. The functions relating to the operation of the agency had been delegated to the Strategic Director Environment under the old delegation scheme. When the Council's structure changed these functions were not delegated on to any officer under the new structure.
3. It has now become necessary to nominate individual officers under the Traffic Management Act 2004 to act as Traffic Officers on the trunk road network across North Wales. The usual procedure for authorising individual officers to fulfil functions on behalf of the Council is through the officers' delegation scheme. The Council delegates the functions to the relevant Head and he/she then authorises individual officers to act.
4. In this case, the most appropriate officer to fulfil the functions relating to the day to day running of the Trunk Road Agency is the Agency's Manager. He operates under the supervision of the Agency Board and the Corporate Director takes an overview of the strategic direction of the Agency. The officers' delegation scheme needs to be amended to achieve this.

RECOMMENDATION.

5. That the Council amends the Officers' Delegation Scheme by adding the following clauses:
 - "4.7 North Wales Trunk Road Agency Manager
 - 4.7.1 To act on a day to day basis, within the scheme, and under the direction of the Agency Board to carry out the functions of the North Wales Trunk Road Agency
 - 4.7.2 To appoint traffic officers under section 2 Traffic Management Act 2004."