

## **GWYNEDD CABINET DECISION NOTICE**

**Date of Cabinet Meeting:** 22 November

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7 December 2016

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 6 : REVENUE BUDGET 2016/17 - SECOND QUARTER REVIEW (SEPTEMBER 2016)

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### **DECISION**

To accept the report on the second quarter review of the Revenue Budget (position as at 30 September 2016) and consider the latest financial situation regarding to the budgets of each department/service, and ask the Cabinet Members and the relevant heads of department to take the appropriate steps regarding matters under their leadership/management.

- To transfer (£135k) from a corporate budget to the Adults, Health and Well-being Department to finance the additional costs resulting from the change in charging for the first six weeks of residential and nursing care.
- To allow the Regulatory Department to use (£200k) of their underspend to finance specific plans to improve the condition of car parks.
- To transfer (£300k) from the Regulatory Department to the Corporate Redundancy Fund to assist with the changes facing us as a Council.
- To harvest (£300k) from the favourable Council Tax collections, and (£290k) from the Benefits underspend, together with (£200k) of the underspend included within 'Other', and transfer as follows:
  - use (£20k) of the underspend as a financial contribution to the independent Harlech Swimming Pool as a one-off bridging payment for the period to 31 March 2017, in accordance with the Cabinet decision on 4 October 2016.
  - use (£135k) to finance the financial obligations of the change in the Care Act 2014 by the Adults, Health and Well-being Department.
  - the remainder of (£635k) to be set aside in the Transformation Fund.

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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

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### **DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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## **ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which have been included in the report submitted to the meeting.

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 7 : CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2016/17 - SECOND QUARTER REVIEW (SEPTEMBER 2016)

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### **DECISION**

To accept the report on the second quarter review (30 September 2016 position) of the capital programme, and approve the revised financing as shown in part 4 of the report, that is:

- an increase of £1.367m in the use of other borrowing (including unsupported borrowing)
  - a decrease of £1.174m in the use of grants and contributions
  - an increase of £0.035m in the use of revenue contributions
  - an increase of £0.938m in the use of renewal and other reserves
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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 8: COUNCIL TAX PREMIUM ON LONG TERM EMPTY PROPERTIES AND SECOND HOMES

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### **DECISION**

To recommend to the Full Council:

For the 2017/18 Financial Year:

1. That Gwynedd Council allows NO discount under Section 12 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 to the two classes of second homes (classes A and B), as defined in the Council Tax (Prescribed Class of Dwellings) (Wales) Regulations 1998.
2. That Gwynedd Council allows NO discount in 2017/18 in respect of empty homes (class C).

For the 2018/19 Financial Year:

3. That Gwynedd Council allows NO discount on class A second homes for 2018/19, in accordance with Section 12 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
  4. That Gwynedd Council allows NO discount and RAISES A PREMIUM OF 50% on class B second homes for 2018/19, in accordance with Section 12B of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
  5. That Gwynedd Council allows NO discount and RAISES A PREMIUM OF 50% on homes that have been empty for 12 months or more for 2018/19, in accordance with Section 12A of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.
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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The Cabinet provides a recommendation to the Council on the decision to raise a council tax premium on second homes and long-term empty properties. Before making this recommendation, the Cabinet has considered the effect of introducing a Premium on all key stakeholders, including the local electorate, and has summarised the responses to the public consultation, and decided that a Premium of 50% is a fair level to recommend. The Council must make its first decision to raise a council tax premium on "second homes" at least 12 months before the beginning of the relevant financial year. Therefore, before raising a premium on second homes from 2018/19 onwards, the Full Council must make a decision before 31 March 2017.

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## **DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS APPROVED BY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

The following Councillors declared an interest:

Councillor Peredur Jenkins - owner of personal property and rents business property

Councillor Dyfrig Siencyn - owner of a second property

Councillor Mandy Williams-Davies - her husband had inherited his parents' empty house.

It was a prejudicial interest and they withdrew from the meeting.

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## **ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

A public consultation was undertaken during October 2016, in accordance with the requirements of statutory guidance, the results of which were reported in the report.

The Statutory Officers were consulted to seek their views, which have been included in the report submitted to the meeting.

The Corporate Scrutiny Committee was consulted and the recommendations of the Investigation Group from that Scrutiny Committee were submitted to the Cabinet meeting.

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 9 : PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCIES

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### **DECISION**

- a) To accept the Commission's proposals in respect of the proposed Isle of Anglesey and Arfon parliamentary constituency;
  - b) To disagree with the proposals set out by the Commission for South Clwyd and Gwynedd constituency and to present alternative proposals that would keep the County's boundaries intact but by also including similar areas in relation to culture and language to obtain the necessary electorate within the constituency as noted in the report;
  - c) To press upon the Commission to adopt Welsh names for constituencies in Wales
  - ch) To present suggestions for appropriate names for the Gwynedd constituencies, such as Gwynedd Uwch Conwy, which is an old historical name
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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

In order to respond to the Boundary Commission for Wales' consultation on its proposals to change parliamentary constituencies in Wales.

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### **ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 10 : CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE OF THE FIRE SERVICE

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### **DECISION**

To propose the observations noted in part 4 of the report in response to the Fire Service consultation suggesting also to other councils that it would perhaps be beneficial to have a joint scrutiny committee to scrutinise the fire service in order to be able to come to an opinion about the relative priority that should be given to an application for additional resources.

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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Respond to the "Affordable fire and rescue services for North Wales" consultation document by the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service and particularly the proposal to increase the financial requirement on councils over the coming years.

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 11 : PERFORMANCE REPORT: CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULTS, HEALTH AND WELLBEING

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### **DECISION**

To accept and note the information in the report.

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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

In order to ensure effective and transparent performance management, Cabinet Members are required to report periodically on the performance of the field for which they are responsible to the Cabinet.

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### **SUBJECT**

Item 12: PERFORMANCE REPORT: CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING, CUSTOMER CARE, LIBRARIES, DEPRIVATION AND EQUALITY

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### **DECISION**

To accept and note the information in the report.

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### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

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