**Date of Cabinet Meeting: 7/3/17** 

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: FEES FOR INDEPENDENT CARE HOMES 2017-18

#### **DECISION**

To approve the following fees for 2017-18

Care category	£ per Week
Residential	£507.45
Residential - Dementia/EMI	£566.75
Nursing	£587.23*
Nursing - Dementia/EMI	£617.93*

<sup>\*</sup> It does not include Health's contribution

#### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Section 35 of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 imposes a duty on the Council to meet the care and support needs of adults who are ordinarily resident in its area; who meet the eligibility criteria for services; and / or if the Council is of the opinion that it must meet the needs of the individual to protect them from abuse or neglect, or the risk of being abused or neglected. Section 34 of the Act states that the Council can meet those care and support needs through the provision of residential accommodation.

The purpose of this report is to set the fee rates which the Council will pay the independent providers of residential accommodation, should the Council place individuals within their accommodation for the purposes of meeting their care and support needs during the financial year 2017-18.

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

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

## ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: TRANSFER OF THE BALANCES OF CLOSING SCHOOLS - CHANGE WORDING OF SCHEME FOR FINANCING SCHOOLS

#### **DECISION**

Change the wording of clause 4.8 of the Scheme for Financing Schools to read as follows:

### 4.8 Balances of closing and replacement schools

When a school closes any balance (whether surplus or deficit) reverts to the LEA; it cannot be transferred as a balance to any other school, apart from when that other school has been established as a result of the closure. In such a situation the balance will transfer to the new school under the provisions of the School Funding (Wales) Regulations 2010.

#### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The current wording of clause 4.8 means that the balances of every closing school transfers automatically to the Authority. However, Schedule 3 of the School Funding (Wales) Regulations 2010 allows for the amounts payable to a school which is established as the result of the closure of one or more schools to be varied.

Changing the wording will create a stronger financial context when any school closes and allows and promotes prudent and careful financial planning in such situations.

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

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: STEM GOGLEDD

#### **DECISION**

To approve the following:

- To confirm the decision for Gwynedd Council to lead on the Regional Plan on behalf of the four counties.
- On the condition of WEFO approval, the cabinet member in consultation with the Head of Finance and the Head of Economy to accept a grant offer of up to £1,461,000.
- Confirm that Gwynedd Council will contribute up to £150,000 of Match Funding for the project.

#### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Gwynedd Council is leading on the STEM Gogledd plan which is a project that invests in young people aged 11-19 years in order to create an enthusiastic workforce that responds to the skills requirements of the local economy. This decision commits the Council to act as a lead body on behalf of the four local authorities. This commitment will confirm the submission of a bid for resources, accept a grant offer and bind the Council by legal agreement to the requirement of the European Social Fund with the European Funding Office and the other local authorities.

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

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

### ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: AD-TRAC PROJECT

### **DECISION**

- Give approval to the Head of Economy and Community Department to accept the offer of grant to the value of £1,203,437, following Welsh European Funding Office approval, to deliver the Ad-TRAC Project in Gwynedd.
- Commit match funding of £492,095 towards the project by means of the method noted in the report.

#### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

AD-TRAC is a multi-agency partnership to support the engagement of young people aged 16-25 years who are not in education, training or employment, by providing them with intense support. A decision is required from the Cabinet to commit to joint-fund the project.

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

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

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: REGIONAL GOVANACE MODEL FOR THE DELIVERY OF THE GROWTH VISION FOR THE ECONOMY OF NORTH WALES

#### **DECISION**

- I. To endorse the preferred regional governance model of a statutory joint committee for further development.
- II. To instruct officers to work with colleagues in partner councils to develop a detailed constitution and inter-authority agreement for the proposed Joint Committee and bring it back for consideration of the Council entering into a statutory joint committee model with the five partner councils, within the first three months of the new Council term.
- III. Note that this Council also expects assurance in terms of establishing the Project Office and obtain an understanding of the structure and method of funding that Office when approving any constitution / agreement.

### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The Growth Vision for the Economy of North Wales was approved by the six councils in North Wales in October 2016. The vision outlines a clear ambition for North Wales in order to develop infrastructure, skills and employment and business growth.

A decision is needed on the direction in order to ensure that the appropriate governance model will be in place soon if the new Council is to achieve the vision for Economic Growth in North Wales.

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

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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: SAVINGS STRATEGY 2015/16 - 2017/18

#### **DECISION**

- A. To note the encouraging progress towards realising the 2015/16 17/18 savings schemes.
- B. To formally accept that two historical schemes will fall short of the savings target namely:

	Total Savings to be Deleted	£150,684
2014/15 Scheme	Enablement	£121,000
2013/14 Scheme	North Wales Regional Hub	£29,684

C. In order to achieve the target of £81,566 "Cross-departmental Savings to be found" in 2016/17, approve the use of savings that the Finance Department has realised early.

### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The progress of realising the savings which are in the 2015/16 - 2017/18 Savings Strategy is reported here. Realising the individual schemes is the responsibility of the relevant members of the Cabinet, and the Cabinet Member for Resources keeps an overview of the whole picture in order to identify any problems with the procedure, or any specific department.

Minor amendments need to be made to the savings proposals in order to reflect the latest situation that has already been reflected in the financial strategy proposed for 2017/18 onwards.

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## ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: WATER SUPPLIES FOR SMALLHOLDINGS

#### DECISION

Carry out the work to upgrade the private water supplies in smallholdings at a cost of up to £400,000 and decide on which funding solution should be used, from the two available, when agreeing the Council's new Asset Management Plan.

#### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Of the 42 smallholdings owned by the Council, 16 are located in remote areas several miles from public water supplies, therefore, they receive their water from natural water resources.

The Private Water Supply (Wales) Regulations 2009 set out the hygiene standards for natural drinking water supplies. The systems in place do not meet the required standards anymore and upgrading work will be required.

There are two funding options however it would be better to delay until the new Council will have considered its asset strategy before deciding on the exact method in order to weigh up which method would be best.

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

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### ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: PROPOSAL TO CONTINUE THE ARRANGEMENT OF PROVIDING THE JOINT PLANNING POLICY SERVICE FOR GWYNEDD COUNCIL AND ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL FOR A FURTHER 5 YEARS

#### **DECISION**

To approve the proposal to continue the arrangement of providing the Joint Planning Policy Service for Gwynedd Council and Isle of Anglesey County Council for a further five years.

To authorise the Head of Regulatory Department and the Head of Legal Services to review and agree on a new collaboration agreement to extend the collaboration period to include:

- Review and agree on arrangements for the administration, implementation and management of the Joint Planning Policy Unit
- Review and agree on the role of the Joint Planning Policy Committee as a crossboundary decision-making body before reporting back to the Cabinet for approval.

#### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Since June 2010, Gwynedd Council and Isle of Anglesey County Council have been providing a joint planning policy service. As we are now in the final year of the collaboration agreement, it is believed that it is timely to consider and decide on the provision of the Policy Service for both authorities. This will give assurance and stability to both Councils and to the staff of the Joint Planning Policy Unit.

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR ADULT, HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

#### **DECISION**

- a) To accept and note the information in the report.
- b) Approve the re-profiling of four of the savings schemes as follows:

Ref	Scheme	Present Profile	Alternative Profile		
		2017/18	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
OED22	Consider Sheltered Housing/Extra Care Housing as alternative accommodation to residential beds	200,000		120,000	80,000
OED25	Review lunch/supper packages	100,000	25,000	75,000	
OED34	Improving efficiency of field workers	113,000	38,000	75,000	
C2	Delete 2 posts out of 7.5 in the Systems Support Unit within the Adults Service (Cut)	60,0000		60,000	
	Total	473,000	63,000	330,000	80,000

#### 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. Ensure appropriate control by re-profiling the savings

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

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

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND LEISURE CABINET MEMBER

#### **DECISION**

To accept and note the information in the report.

#### 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.

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

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#### SUBJECT

Item: PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR RESOURCES

#### DECISION

The report was accepted and approval was given to re-profile the Stop Paying the Fee to pay Council Tax in post offices to 2018/19 rather than 2017/18 as originally intended.

#### 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. Ensure appropriate control by re-profiling the savings.

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#### **SUBJECT**

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

#### **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.

#### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

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#### **SUBJECT**

Item: FORWARD WORK PROGRAM

#### DECISION

Approve the Forward Work Programme included with the meeting papers, with the following amendments:

Presentation from Ffion Johnstone - Gareth Roberts \*

\* Gareth Thomas was named in the draft.

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

In accordance with Section 14.13 of the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet will share its Forward Work Programme for the subsequent period of six months with the public. The Forward Work Programme will be published on the Council website.

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