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Meeting

THE COUNCIL

Date and Time

# 1.00 pm, THURSDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 2021

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This meeting will be webcast

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Location

Virtual Meeting - Zoom

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#### WEDNESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2021

Dear Councillor,

# **MEETING OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL – THURSDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2021**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to attend a virtual Zoom meeting of GWYNEDD COUNCIL which will be held at 1.00 pm on THURSDAY, 7TH OCTOBER, 2021 to consider the matters mentioned in the following agenda.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Democracy Services

# AGENDA

# 1. APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence

#### 2. MINUTES

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The Chair shall propose that the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on the following dates be signed as true records:-

- 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 (Extraordinary Meeting)
- 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

# 3. DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

To receive any declaration of personal interest.

# 4. THE CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any Chair's announcements.

#### 5. URGENT ITEMS

To note any items which are urgent business in the opinion of the Chair so they may be considered.

#### 6. QUESTIONS

To consider any questions the appropriate notice for which have been given under Section 4.19 of the Constitution.

#### 7. GWYNEDD COUNCIL'S DIVERSITY DECLARATION 26 - 28

To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Corporate Support.

#### 8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 - 29-31 UPDATE FOR HYBRID MEETINGS

To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Corporate Support.

# 9. AMENDMENTS TO THE INTER AUTHORITY AGREEMENT OF 32 - 44 THE WALES PENSION PARTNERSHIP

To submit the report of the Chair of the Pensions Committee.

# **10. REGULATION OF SEX ESTABLISHMENTS - LOCAL** 45 - 50 GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISONS) ACT 1982

To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment.

# 11. REVIEW OF GWYNEDD ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

Report to follow.

# 12. NOTICES OF MOTION

#### (A) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR ELWYN EDWARDS

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.20 of the Constitution, Councillor Elwyn Edwards will propose as follows:-

- 1. That the Council asks the Cabinet to consider officially recognising St David's Day by giving a day's leave to its workforce in order to celebrate our Patron Saint's Day on 1 March 2022 and every year thereafter.
- 2. That the Council calls on Westminster Government to devolve to Welsh Government the power to create bank holidays for Wales (via the <u>Banking and Financial Dealings</u> <u>Act 1971</u>) in the same manner as already happens in Scotland and Northern Ireland.

#### (B) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR CATRIN WAGER

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.20 of the Constitution, Councillor Catrin Wager will propose as follows:-

- 1. This Council wishes to declare a warm welcome to refugees from Afghanistan who have recently, or will shortly, be arriving in Gwynedd.
- 2. This Council supports the fundamental principles of:-
  - Article 14 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948, which recognizes the right of persons to seek asylum from persecution in other countries, and the
  - 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees and the 1967 Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees.
- 3. The Council is concerned that the UK government's proposed New plan for Immigration does not uphold the principles outlined above, and objects to the criminalisation of the act of seeking refuge.

#### (C) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GRUFFYDD WILLIAMS

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.20 of the Constitution, Councillor Gruffydd Williams will propose as follows:-

That this Council, in light of the housing crisis caused by the increase in property prices, the increase in second homes and the influence of on-line short-term property letting platforms, request that the Cabinet earmarks all funds collected through the council tax premium on second homes / holiday homes on meeting the needs of the residents who live in the areas where the housing crisis is at its worst, namely in those areas where the majority of the tax premium is collected. Welsh Government encourages local authorities to use any additional revenue generated by charging the premium to assist with meeting the local housing needs, in accordance with the objectives of the premiums policy. Whilst accepting that the Council does not have to do this, it is the right thing to do, and it is what is expected by the majority of Council members and the wider public.

# (CH) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR KEVIN MORRIS JONES

In accordance with the Notice of Motion received under Section 4.20 of the Constitution, Councillor Kevin Morris Jones will propose as follows:-

That this Council calls on Welsh Government to change the planning act in order that it is compulsory for any person wishing to convert a dwelling-house into a holiday home to receive planning permission to do so and that thresholds are set to restrict the numbers of holiday homes in any area.