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Meeting

**THE COUNCIL**

Date and Time

**1.00 pm, THURSDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 2021**

**\* NOTE \***

**This meeting will be webcast**

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Location

**Virtual Meeting - Zoom**

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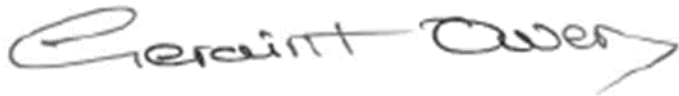
**WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2021**

Dear Councillor,

**MEETING OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL – THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER 2021**

**YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED** to attend a virtual Zoom meeting of **GWYNEDD COUNCIL** which will be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 2ND DECEMBER, 2021** to consider the matters mentioned in the following agenda.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Geraint Owen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

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 previous meeting of the Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2021 signed as a true record.

## 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. COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME 2022/23

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To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance.

## 8. COUNCIL TAX: DISCRETIONARY POWERS TO ALLOW DISCOUNTS AND/OR RAISE A PREMIUM 2022/23

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To submit the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance.

## 9. GWYNEDD COUNCIL'S DIVERSITY DECLARATION

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To submit the report of the Chair of the Democratic Services Committee.

## 10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 - ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS

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To submit the report of the Chair of the Democratic Services Committee.

## 11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS (WALES) ACT 2021 -

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## **AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

To submit the report of the Monitoring Officer.

### **12. APPOINTMENT OF NEW SECTION 151 OFFICER**

Report to follow.

### **13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### **(A) NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR GETHIN GLYN WILLIAMS**

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

**Over the centuries the lands and resources of Wales have been used for extraction of all manner of commodities for the benefit of others. The latest 'commodity' being seized upon from our landscape is the potential in carbon, as investment companies from outside Wales are purchasing farms, gaining large Glastir Woodland Creation (GWC) grants and using the land for afforestation to offset their carbon emissions.**

**The council calls on the Welsh Government to:**

- Urgently amend the eligibility of their GWC grant so that only active farmers in Wales are able to apply.**
- Introduce planning development legislation to enable local planning authorities such as Gwynedd to control afforestation projects.**

**It is vital the Welsh Government moves to protect Wales' rural environment and resources for the benefit of a new Green circular economy and to strengthen Welsh industries, communities and services.**