(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

3 March 2022

Virtual Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Simon Glyn (Chair)

Craig ab Iago, Menna Baines, Beca Brown, Dylan Bullard, Stephen Churchman, Steve Collings, Annwen Daniels, R.Glyn Daniels, Anwen Davies, Elwyn Edwards, Alan Jones Evans, Aled Evans, Dylan Fernley, Peter Antony Garlick, Gareth Wyn Griffith, Selwyn Griffiths, Alwyn Gruffydd, Annwen Hughes, John Brynmor Hughes, Louise Hughes, R.Medwyn Hughes, Judith Humphreys, Nia Jeffreys, Peredur Jenkins, Aeron M.Jones, Aled Wyn Jones, Anne Lloyd Jones, Berwyn Parry Jones, Elin Walker Jones, Eric Merfyn Jones, Gareth Tudor Morris Jones, Huw Wyn Jones, Keith Jones, Kevin Morris Jones, Linda A.Jones, Sion Wyn Jones, Eryl Jones-Williams, Cai Larsen, Beth Lawton, Dafydd Meurig, Dilwyn Morgan, Linda Morgan, Dafydd Owen, Dewi Owen, Edgar Wyn Owen, Gwynfor Owen, Jason Parry, Nigel Pickavance, Rheinallt Puw, Peter Read, Dewi Wyn Roberts, Elfed P.Roberts, Gareth A.Roberts, John Pughe Roberts, Mair Rowlands, Paul Rowlinson, Angela Russell, Dyfrig Siencyn, Mike Stevens, Gareth Thomas, Ioan Thomas, Hefin Underwood, Catrin Wager, Cemlyn Williams, Elfed Williams, Gethin Glyn Williams, Gruffydd Williams and Owain Williams.

Officers:

Dafydd Gibbard (Chief Executive), Morwena Edwards (Corporate Director), Iwan Evans (Monitoring Officer), Dewi Morgan (Statutory Finance Officer), Geraint Owen (Head of Democracy Service), Carys Fôn Williams (Head of Housing and Property Department), Sion Huws (Senior Solicitor - Corporate), Vera Jones (Democracy and Language Service Manager) and Eirian Roberts (Democracy Services Officer).

Also in attendance:

Eurig Huw Williams (Human Resources Advisory Services Manager) (for item 7), Dewi Jones (Council Business Support Service Manager) (for item 8), Ffion Madog Evans (Senior Finance Manager) (for item 9), Rhion Glyn (Assistant Head - Adults, Health and Well-being) and Hawis Jones (Adults, Health and Well-being Projects Team Manager) (for item 11), Gareth Jones (Assistant Head - Environment) and Rebeca Jones (Planning Manager - Joint Planning Policy) (for item 12).

Apologies:

Councillors:- Elwyn Jones, Dilwyn Lloyd, Eirwyn Williams and Gareth Williams.

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SUBJECT

Item 7: ANNUAL REVIEW - COUNCIL'S PAY POLICY 2022-23

DECISION

To approve the recommendation of the Chief Officers Appointment Committee to adopt the Pay Policy for 2022/23.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	59
Against	1
Abstentions	2

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

The Monitoring Officer, on behalf of the chief officers who were present, as the report involved their salaries.

He was of the opinion that the officers had a substantive interest, and, along with the Corporate Director, the Head of Finance Department and the Head of Corporate Support Department, the Monitoring Officer withdrew from the meeting during the discussion on the item as they did not need to be present to give advice.

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Date of COUNCIL Meeting 3 March 20

SUBJECT

Item 8: GWYNEDD COUNCIL PLAN - 2018-23 - 2022/23 REVIEW

DECISION

To adopt the Gwynedd Council Plan 2018-2023: 2022/23 Review for it to be implemented during 2022/23.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	57
Against	1
Abstentions	7

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 9: 2022/23 BUDGET

DECISION

- 1. To approve the recommendations of the Cabinet, namely:-
 - (a) A budget of £295,232,820 should be set for 2022/23, to be funded by £213,210,400 of Government Grant and £82,022,420 of Council Tax income, with an increase of 2.95%.
 - (b) Establish a capital programme of £59,074,980 in 2022/23, to be funded from the sources set out in Appendix 4 of the report.
- 2. That it be noted that the Cabinet Member for Finance, in a decision notice dated 9 November, 2021, approved the calculation of the following amounts for 2022/23 in accordance with Regulations made under Section 33 (5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 ("The Act"):-
 - (a) 53,715.10 being the amount calculated in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) (Wales) Regulations 1995 as amended, as its Council Tax base for the year.
 - (b) Parts of the Council's Area Communities Tax Base -

Aberdaron	571.25	Llanddeiniolen	1,840.10
Aberdyfi	1,095.65	Llandderfel	501.76
Abergwyngregyn	124.71	Llanegryn	164.55
Abermaw (Barmouth)	1,210.43	Llanelltyd	308.89
Arthog	654.41	Llanengan	2,289.52
Y Bala	781.39	Llanfair	335.58
Bangor	3,974.34	Llanfihangel y Pennant	232.58
Beddgelert	323.40	Llanfrothen	233.04
Betws Garmon	138.27	Llangelynnin	433.07
Bethesda	1,701.20	Llangywer	145.28
Bontnewydd	436.43	Llanllechid	348.06
Botwnnog	460.05	Llanllyfni	1,425.75
Brithdir a			
Llanfachreth	457.62	Llannor	906.33
Bryncrug	340.19	Llanrug	1,137.62

Buan	227.96	Llanuwchllyn	316.77
Caernarfon	3,640.35	Llanwnda	807.58
Clynnog Fawr	470.35	Llanycil	205.27
Corris	305.84	Llanystumdwy	885.48
Criccieth	972.85	Maentwrog	303.24
Dolbenmaen	624.58	Mawddwy	362.81
Dolgellau	1,275.63	Nefyn	1,535.07
Dyffryn Ardudwy	817.14	Pennal	231.82
Y Felinheli	1,165.68	Penrhyndeudraeth	792.98
Ffestiniog	1,786.14	Pentir	1,272.62
Y Ganllwyd	88.69	Pistyll	264.01
Harlech	821.55	Porthmadog	2,160.67
Llanaelhaearn	466.26	Pwllheli	1,779.02
Llanbedr	351.64	Talsarnau	343.74
Llanbedrog	780.02	Trawsfynydd	506.49
Llanberis	788.78	Tudweiliog	478.76
Llandwrog	1,051.46	Tywyn	1,691.37
Llandygai	1,001.64	Waunfawr	569.37

being the amounts calculated as the amounts of its Council Tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

3. That the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2022/23 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Act:-

(a)	£443,927,600	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e) of the Act (gross expenditure).
(b)	£146,536,120	Being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(3)(a) to (c) of the Act (income).
(c)	£297,391,480	Being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 32(4) of the Act, as its budget requirement for the year (net budget).
(ch)	£212,714,737	Being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable during the year into its fund in respect of the National Non-Domestic Rates and Revenue Support Grant, less the estimated cost to the Council of discretionary non-domestic rate relief granted.
(d)	£1,576.40	Being the amount at 3(c) above less the amount at 3(ch) above, all divided by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year. (Gwynedd Council tax and average community council tax).

(dd)	£2,654,323.06	Being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act (community council precepts).
(e)	£1,526.99	Being the amount at 3(d) above less the result given by dividing the amount at 3(dd) above by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special item relates (Band D for Gwynedd Council tax only).

(f) Parts of the Council's Area – Community

Aberdaron	1,553.25	Llanddeiniolen	1,544.27
Aberdyfi	1,562.10	Llandderfel	1,544.93
Abergwyngregyn	1,559.06	Llanegryn	1,563.45
Abermaw			
(Barmouth)	1,579.04	Llanelltyd	1,551.27
Arthog	1,546.86	Llanengan	1,551.01
Y Bala	1,561.54	Llanfair	1,574.67
		Llanfihangel y	
Bangor	1,627.98	Pennant	1,576.54
Beddgelert	1,579.56	Llanfrothen	1,566.90
Betws Garmon	1,545.79	Llangelynnin	1,550.70
Bethesda	1,601.16	Llangywer	1,556.24
Bontnewydd	1,569.38	Llanllechid	1,572.27
Botwnnog	1,541.12	Llanllyfni	1,562.06
Brithdir a			
Llanfachreth	1,553.21	Llannor	1,549.06
Bryncrug	1,565.45	Llanrug	1,594.68
Buan	1,543.44	Llanuwchllyn	1,571.19
Caernarfon	1,586.51	Llanwnda	1,563.27
Clynnog Fawr	1,569.51	Llanycil	1,548.91
Corris	1,557.50	Llanystumdwy	1,547.72
Criccieth	1,578.39	Maentwrog	1,546.94
Dolbenmaen	1,555.81	Mawddwy	1,556.48
Dolgellau	1,587.35	Nefyn	1,578.78
Dyffryn Ardudwy	1,588.18	Pennal	1,562.79
Y Felinheli	1,566.45	Penrhyndeudraeth	1,579.32
Ffestiniog	1,655.76	Pentir	1,570.21
Y Ganllwyd	1,560.82	Pistyll	1,572.44
Harlech	1,612.19	Porthmadog	1,555.95
Llanaelhaearn	1,580.61	Pwllheli	1,577.58
Llanbedr	1,569.65	Talsarnau	1,590.99
Llanbedrog	1,557.76	Trawsfynydd	1,566.48
Llanberis	1,570.09	Tudweiliog	1,541.61
Llandwrog	1,593.56	Tywyn	1,580.40

Llandygai	1,555.31	Waunfawr	1,548.07
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being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(e) above the amounts of the special item or items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount of 2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

- (ff) In respect of parts of the Council's area, the figures noted in Appendix 1 (see Appendix 1 to Appendix 11 to Item 9 on the Council agenda), being the amounts given by multiplying the sums specified in 3(f) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5 (1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.
- 4. That it be noted that for the year 2022/23 the Police and Crime Commissioner for North Wales have stated the following amounts in a precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below.

| Band |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I |
| 211.20 | 246.40 | 281.60 | 316.80 | 387.20 | 457.60 | 528.00 | 633.60 | 739.20 |

5. That, having calculated the aggregate in each case of the amounts at 3(ff) and 4 above, the Council, in accordance with Section 30(2) of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992, hereby sets the amounts noted in Appendix 2 (see Appendix 2 to Appendix 11 to Item 9 on the Council agenda) as the amounts of Council Tax for the year 2022/23 for each of the categories of dwellings shown therein.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	36
Against	30
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Date of COUNCIL Meeting 3 March 2

SUBJECT

Item 10: CAPITAL STRATEGY 2022/23 (INCLUDES INVESTMENT AND BORROWING STRATEGIES)

DECISION

To adopt the Capital Strategy for 2022/23.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	51
Against	0
Abstentions	3

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

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SUBJECT

Item 11: NORTH WALES POPULATION NEEDS ASSESSMENT DRAFT REPORT 2022

DECISION

To approve the Assessment of the North Wales Population Needs 2022.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	38
Against	10
Abstentions	9

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

Date of COUNCIL Meeting 3 March 20

SUBJECT

Item 12: REVIEW REPORT - JOINT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

DECISION

To agree to publish the Review Report in Appendix 1 to the report and to present it to Welsh Government, so that the preparation of the Replacement Plan can commence.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	43
Against	4
Abstentions	10

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

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SUBJECT

Item 13: RECOMMENDATION OF THE INTERVIEW PANEL - APPOINTMENT OF LAY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

DECISION

To appoint Mr Hywel Eifion Jones, Mrs Sharon Warnes, Mr Elwyn Rhys Parry and Mrs Clare Hitchcock as Lay Members of the Governance and Audit Committee for a period of 5 years.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	42
Against	4
Abstentions	9

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

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SUBJECT

Item 14: RE-APPOINTMENTENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE

DECISION

To re-appoint Mr Aled Jones as an independent member of the Standards Committee to serve for a further four-year term.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	37
Against	6
Abstentions	9

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

Councillor Gwynfor Owen, as he undertook work for Cymen translation company, of which Mr Aled Jones is a Director.

He was of the view that it was a prejudicial interest, and he withdrew from the meeting during the discussion on the item.

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SUBJECT

Item 15: COMMITTEES CALENDAR 2022-23

DECISION

To adopt the Committees Calendar for 2022/23.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	47
Against	1
Abstentions	2

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 16A: NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR JUDITH HUMPHREYS

DECISION

That the Council calls on Welsh Government, Westminster Government and the relevant organisations to commit to:

- professionalise women's sport so that women have the same opportunities and pay as men.
- ensure that women are represented on sports bodies at all levels.
- ensure facilities suitable for women's sport particularly football and rugby.
- that women's sport is given coverage equal to that of men's sport in the media and Press.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	47
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

Date of COUNCIL Meeting 3 March 2

SUBJECT

Item 16B: NOTICE OF MOTION FROM COUNCILLOR BECA BROWN

DECISION

With the cost of living rising sharply and people and families often having to choose between eating or heating, there is more demand than even before on the services of local food banks and food schemes. According to FareShare Cymru, there were four food schemes in North Wales before the pandemic, but that figure is expected to rise to approximately 40 by April this year.

Local voluntary groups must pay an annual membership fee to receive food from schemes such as FareShare and, during lockdown, Welsh Government funded the first year of membership only.

However, after the first year, local food schemes must find the money to pay their own membership fee, which can be approximately £3,000 a year.

We call upon Welsh Government to commit to funding 70% of the cost of food (i.e. the membership fee of FareShare or similar distribution schemes) for a period of 5 years in order to protect these local food schemes which provide a crucial service to people and families at a time of great hardship.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	43
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS