# Cyngor Tref Llangollen Town Council. Agenda. 19.09.2023.

# 1. Croesawiad a chyhoeddiadau Faer y Dref.

# 2. Datganiadau gan y cyhoedd.

I dderbyn datganiadau oddiwrth y cyhoedd ar faterion ar yr agenda.

# 3. Datganiadau gan Cynghorwyr y Sir.

I dderbyn datganiadau gan Cynghorwyr y Sir ar faterion sy'n ymwneud â Llangollen.

# 4. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.

I dderbyn, ystyried a derbyn ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.

# 5. Datganiadau o Fuddiant.

I dderbyn unrhyw ddatganiadau o fuddiant ar eitemau ar yr agenda.

### 6. Cofnodion.

Awdurdodi'r Cadeirydd i lofnodi cofnodion y chyfarfodydd cyffredin blaenorol y Cyngor y Dref a gynhaliwyd ar 18.07.2023 fel cofnod cywir

# 7. Adroddiadau ariannol.

I dderbyn adroddiadau a gyflwynwyd gan yr Clerc y Dref ac ystyried yr argymhellion ynddo. Mae manylion ariannol yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid ydynt wedi'u cyfieithu.

- a) Contract Egni.
- b) Datganiadau Ariannol.
- c) Taliadau Awdurdodedig.
- d) Cymodi banc.

# 8. Adroddiadau Clerc y Dref.

I dderbyn adroddiadau a gyflwynwyd gan yr Clerc y Dref ac ystyried yr argymhellion ynddo. Mae adroddiadau yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid ydynt wedi'u cyfieithu.

- a) Pedair Priffordd Fawr adborth ar y dyluniadau dehongli a dod o hyd i ffyrdd.
- b) Ymgynghoriad Awdurdod Tân ac Achub Gogledd Cymru ar wella dyfodol gwasanaethau brys yng

# Town Mayors welcome and announcements.

# Statements from the public.

To receive statements from the public on matters on the agenda.

# Statements from County Councillors.

To receive statements from County Councillors on matters relating to Llangollen

# Apologies for absence.

To receive, consider and accept apologies for absence.

# **Declaration of Interest.**

To receive any known declarations of interest in items on the agenda.

### Minutes.

To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the previous ordinary meetings of the Town Council held on 18.07.2023 as a correct record.

# Financial reports.

To receive reports submitted to the Town Clerk and considered the recommendations therein. Financial details are working documents and are therefore not translated.

Energy contracts.

Authorised Payments.

Financial Statements.

Bank reconciliation

# Town Clerk's Reports.

To receive reports submitted to the Town Clerk and considered the recommendations therein. Reports are working documents and are therefore not translated.

Four Great Highways interpretation and wayfinding designs feedback.

North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority's consultation on improving the future of

Ngogledd Cymru. Diwrnodau parcio am ddim

# 9. Ceisiadau Cynllunio.

I ystyried ceisiadau cynllunio a gyfeiriwyd at y Cyngor a gwneud unrhyw benderfyniadau angenrheidiol arno. (Gellir derbyn ceisiadau ar ôl i'r agenda gael ei chyhoeddi a gellir eu hystyried yn y cyfarfod hwn).

# 03/2023/0369

Tir cyfagos Ysgol Dinas Bran, Ffordd Dinbren. Tocio a torri gwaith i nifer o goed sy'n destun Sir Ddinbych Gorchymyn Cadw Coed Rhif 3 (2023

https://tinyurl.com/3us4bban

# 03/03/2023/0583

Werna, 2 Greenfield.

Codi estyniad unllawr yn y cefn gyda tho fflat i mewnlenwi'r cwrt a gwaith cysylltiedig <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ysn9p9ve">https://tinyurl.com/ysn9p9ve</a>

# 12 Tystysgrifau Penderfyniad

Nodi tystysgrifau penderfyniad a dderbyniwyd oddi wrth Adran Gynllunio Cyngor Sir Ddinbych ers y cyfarfod diwethaf.

# Cymeradwyo.

03/2023/0368 9 Stryd y Castell. 03/2022/0481 Tan y Bwlch, Bryn Barbwrs. 03/2022/0884 94 Pengwern 03/2023/0446 Banc Heulog, Lôn Gwyrdd 03/2023/0500 Caravan Park Ty Ucha, Ffordd Maesmawr.

# 13. Gohebiaeth.

I ystyried gohebiaeth a dderbyniwyd ac i wneud unrhyw benderfyniadau angenrheidiol arno. (Gellir derbyn gohebiaeth ar ôl i'r agenda gael ei chyhoeddi a gellir ei hystyried yn y cyfarfod hwn)

 M Williams, Melin Dyfrdwy Isaf
 A oes cynllun i ddisodli'r bwrdd Beth sydd ymlaen" ger neuadd y dref gan ei fod yn emergency cover in North Wales. Free parking days.

# **Planning Applications.**

To consider planning applications referred to the Council and make any necessary decisions thereon. (Applications may be received after the agenda has been published and may be considered at this meeting).

# 03/2023/0369

Land Adjacent Ysgol Dinas Bran, Dinbren Road Pruning and felling works to several trees within Denbighshire Tree Preservation Order No. 3 (2023)

https://tinyurl.com/3us4bban

# 03/2023/0583

Werna, 2 Greenfield.

Erection of a rear single storey extension infill to courtyard with new flat roof and associated works.

https://tinyurl.com/ysn9p9ve

# Certificates of Decision.

To note certificates of decision received from Denbighshire County Council Planning department received since the last meeting.

# Approved.

03/2023/0368 9 Castle Street. 03/2022/0481 Tan Y Bwlch Barbers Hill. 03/2022/0884 94 Pengwern. 03/2023/0446 Sunny Bank Green Lane 03/2023/0500 Caravan Park Ty Ucha Maesmawr Road

# Correspondence

To consider correspondence received and to make any necessary decisions thereon. (Correspondence can be received after the agenda has been published and may be considered at this meeting).

M Williams, Lower Dee Mill Is there a plan to replace the What's on" board adjacent to the town hall as it is a sadly missed ffynhonnell wybodaeth a gollwyd yn anffodus yn dilyn yr uwchraddio palmant.

b) Clerc Elusennau Lles Llangollen.
Gall y Cyngor Tref benodi tri ymddiriedolwr am gyfnod o bedair blynedd. Yr ymddiriedolwyr blaenorol a benodwyd gan y Cyngor oedd Austin Cheminais, Sheena Grindley a George Hughes. Mae George Hughes wedi cael ei ailbenodi ac mae'r cyn-gynghorydd Sheena Grindley wedi cynghori Elusennau Lles Llangollen yr hoffai gael ei hail-benodi fel ymddiriedolwr gan y Cyngor. Byddai ei phrofiad hir a'i gwybodaeth leol yn werthfawr iawn i'r Elusennau Lles ac mae'r Elusen yn gofyn a fyddai'r Cyngor Tref yn ystyried ei hail-benodi

14. Rhan B

Gwahardd y cyhoedd a 'r Wasg. Yn rhinwedd Deddf Cyrff Cyhoeddus (Derbyn i Gyfarfodydd) 1960, ni chaiff y wasg na'r cyhoedd eu cynnwys yn y trafodaethau ar yr eitem ganlynol ar y sail y byddai eu datgelu yn niweidiol i fudd y cyhoedd oherwydd natur gyfrinachol y busnes i'w drafod.

15. Cynllun rheoli salwch.

source of information following the pavement upgrade.

Clerk to Llangollen Welfare Charities.
The Town Council can appoint three trustees for a term of four years. The previous trustees appointed by the Council were Austin Cheminais, Sheena Grindley and George Hughes. George Hughes has been re-appointed and former councillor Sheena Grindley has advised the Llangollen Welfare Charities that she would like to be re-appointed as a trustee by the Council. Her long experience and local knowledge would be very valuable to the Welfare Charities and the Charity is asking if the Town Council would consider re-appointing her.

Part B

Exclusion of Public and Press.
By virtue of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public are excluded from discussions on the following item on the basis that disclosure thereof would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Sickness management plan.

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.

SUBJECT: Energy contracts 2023.24

REPORT FOR: Decision.

### 1. Summary.

1.1 To consider the implications of the end of the fixed price energy contract with Good Energy.

# 2. Background.

2.1 In 2021 the Town Council resolved to move to a 100% Green and ethical energy provided Good Energy. Since the winter period of 2020/21 energy prices have soared seeing 424% rise in gas costs and 349% increase in electricity. Fortunately, the Town Council was on a fixed price contract until the 30 September 2023 and as this is about to end the supplier has indicated that the accounts will move to their anytime rate in October and have provided details of the estimated annual consumption (kWh) and estimated annual cost as detailed in the table below

Account ID Electricity	Estimated Annual Consumption (kWh)	Estimated Annual Cost
17389	849	£ 786
17390	14,107	£6,593
17391	183	£ 408
17392*	3,300	£1,853
Total	18,439	£9,640
Gas		
17393	48,744	£5,811
Total	48,744	£5,811

<sup>\*</sup> Recharged to tenant

- 2.2 The wholesale gas price has dropped dramatically in recent months and are currently less than a third of its peak in August 2022. Similarly, oil prices have fallen dramatically over the past few months and the price spike caused by the government response to the pandemic and the Ukraine conflict has fallen back, and supply constraints have eased. Therefore, consideration moving to another supplier on new fixed prices contract could be attractive.
- 2.3 However, sector analyst advise not to look for fixed price deals at present as there will be a clearer picture of where energy prices and the economy are heading as the government expects energy prices to fall in the second half of 2023. In addition, the Town Councils resolution to secure 100% Green energy from ethical also provided limits the choice of companies and therefore at present continuing with our current supplier, for a further twelve months, would be appropriate.

# 3. Financial implications.

3.1 The increase in energy prices as a result of moving out of a fixed price energy contract was identified in the financial risk assessment carried out in the preparation of this year budget in 2022, and therefore the budget was adjusted based on the know percentage increases being

forecast at that time. Fortunately, this mean that the effect on the budget for the remainder of the year is as follows

	Estimated	Cost to	<b>Estimated Cost</b>	Total	Budget	Saving	Projected
	<b>Annual Cost</b>	9.23	0.23 - 03.24	23.24			24.25
Electricity	£9,640	£1,711	£6,362	£8,073	£12,000	£3,927	£10,083
Gas	£5,811	£1,143	£3,835	£4,978	£16,000	£11,022	£6,078

- 3.2 In view of the potential savings that could be achieved, as there is considerable pressure on the asset reserves because of a number of urgent works commissioned by the Asset Management Committee, these included emergency tree work and replacement of defective Christmas illumination wiring which is a health and safety issue. Therefore, the savings which are within the bailiwick of the Asset Management Committee should be used to support the reserves position.
- 3.3 Using the Office for Budget Responsibility near forecast of a potential 4.6 % increase in utility prices a projection has also been included in the above table for consideration when setting next year's budget.
- 4. Energy efficiency
- 4.1 On more positive note the changes that have been undertaken in the Town Hall is respect of the installation of LED lighting and the renewal of the boiler system has meant that since 2015 electricity and gas consumption reduced by 7,461 rand 152, 045 KwH respectively resulting in a saving of 4.5 and 28 Tonnes CO<sup>2</sup> equivalent.

### 5. Recommendation.

- 5.1 That the Town Council:
  - a) agrees the continuation of the contract with Good Energy for the next twelve months.
  - b) agrees that the potential savings identified should be used to support the asset management reserves position.
  - c) notes the savings achieved in the reduction in Tonnes CO<sup>2</sup> equivalents.

#### 6. Reasons for recommendation.

6.1 To ensure probity in the management of Town Councils assets and to support the Town Council's declaration of a climate and ecological emergency.

# **Authorised Payments August 2023**

Cyflenwr/Supplier	Disgrifiad/Description	Cyf/Ref	Net	TAW/VAT	Gros/Gross
Taliad Bil/Bill Paymer	nts	4			
Staff	Salary	M6	£2,628.79	£0.00	£2,628.79
CThEM/HMRC	PAYE	M6	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Staff	Expenses	M5	£45.90	£0.00	£45.90
I Ball Electricals	Electrical works	92	£670.00	£0.00	£670.00
Border Janitorial	Washroom supplies	93	£55.40	£110.80	£166.20
T Edwards	Horticultural services	94	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00
Good Energy	Electricity Town Hall 7390	95	£256.16	£51.09	£307.25
Good Energy	Electricity Town Hall 7391	96	£15.22	£0.76	£15.98
Good Energy	Electricity Town Hall 7392	97	£42.78	£2.04	£44.82
Good Energy	Gas Town Hall 7393	98	£50.38	£1.37	£51.75
Griffiths Tool Hire	Excavator hire	99	£90.00	£18.00	£108.00
Scribe	Booking software licence	100	£288.00	£57.60	£345.60
Ultraclean	Cleaning services	101	£500.00	£0.00	£500.00
Witzend Framing	Mayoral Boards		£274.00	£0.00	£274.00
Dyledion Uniongyrch	ol / Direct Debits				
Orchymyn Sefydlog/S	Standing Order				
ACS Technology	Cloud Services		£190.30	£0.00	£190.30
ACS Technology	CCTV installation		£1,150.00	£0.00	£1,150.00
British Telecom	Broadband		£46.95	£9.39	£56.34
CSD/DCC	NNDR		£1,136.00	£0.00	£1,136.00
NEST	Pension		£266.93	£0.00	£266.93
S Johnston	Storage hire		£80.00	£0.00	£80.00
		Totals	£8,490.91	£251.05	£8,741.96

# **Authorised Payments September 2023**

Cyflenwr/Supplier	Disgrifiad/Description	Cyf/Ref	Net	TAW/VAT	Gros/Gross			
Taliad Bil/Bill Payments								
Staff	Salary	M6	£2,628.79	£0.00	£2,628.79			
CThEM/HMRC	PAYE	M6	£871.03	£0.00	£871.03			
I Ball Electricals	Electrical works	92	£670.00	£0.00	£670.00			
Border Janitorial	Washroom supplies	93	£55.40	£110.80	£166.20			
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Orchymyn Sefydlog,	Standing Order							
ACS Technology	Cloud Services		£190.30	£0.00	£190.30			
ACS Technology	CCTV installation		£1,150.00	£0.00	£1,150.00			
British Telecom	Broadband		£46.95	£9.39	£56.34			
CSD/DCC	NNDR		£1,136.00	£0.00	£1,136.00			
NEST	Pension		£266.93	£0.00	£266.93			
S Johnston	Storage hire		£80.00	£0.00	£80.00			
		Totals	£9,361.94	£251.05	£9,612.99			

# Llangollen Town Council Net Position by Cost Centre and Code

# Cost Centre Name

Administration		Re	ceipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Code <u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
8 Fees and charges				2,050.00	2,691.65	-641.65
9 Cloud services				3,500.00	1,779.50	1,720.50
10 Health and safety				2,500.00	,	2,500.00
11 Insurance				6,000.00	5,550.33	449.67
12 Licenses				550.00	1,519.12	-969.12
13 NNDR				13,000.00	4,548.74	8,451.26
14 Payroll				750.00	796.60	-46.60
15 Subscriptions				1,500.00		1.500.00
48 Expenses				1,000.00	45.90	-45.90
				29,850.00	£16,931.84	12,918.16
Asset Management		Re	ceipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Code <u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
16 Equipment 17 Projects				22,000.00	9,784.21	12,215.79
18 Cleaning				3,000.00	2,678.08	321.92
19 Grounds maintenance				12,000.00	8,615.78	3,384.22
20 Christmas illuminations				9,800.00	2,070.85	7,729.15
21 Repairs and renewals				20,000.00	3,296.58	16,703.42
22 Waste collection				1,700.00	143.22	1,556.78
23 Water charges				2,000.00	228.90	1,771.10
				70,500.00	£26,817.62	43,682.38
Capital Financing		Re	ceipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Code Title	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
33 Loan repayments						
Community  Code Title  34 Community grants 35 Donations	Bal. B/Fwd.	Re Budget	ceipts Actual	Payme Budget 3,000.00	nts Actual	Current Balance  Budget  3,000.00 3,000.00
36 Cittaslow				3,000.00 2,000.00		2,000.00
				8,000.00		8,000.00
Cost of Democracy		Po	ceipts	Payme	nte	Current Balance
Code Title	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
24 Election expenses						
25 Civic costs 26 Civic events				2,300.00 3,600.00	889.60	1,410.40 3,600.00
27 Mayor's allowance 28 Remuneration 29 Member Training 30 Member allowances				2,000.00 2,000.00	400.00	1,600.00 2,000.00
				9,900.00	£1,289.60	8,610.40
		Re	ceipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Energy Costs			oo.pto	rayinc		Guilling Bulailed
Energy Costs  Code <u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
	Bal. B/Fwd.		•			

28,000.00

£2,853.02

25,146.98

# Llangollen Town Council Net Position by Cost Centre and Code

# Cost Centre Name

ome		Rece	ipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Code <u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
1 Precept		155,677.00	103,784.00			-51,893.00
2 Interest		200.00	888.40			688.40
3 Room hire		13,750.00	14,450.41			700.41
4 Rents		23,100.00	9,490.68		1,622.67	-15,231.99
5 Grants			1,266.69			1,266.69
6 Tenants recharges		3,000.00	1,758.05			-1,241.95
7 VAT refund		11,000.00	8,197.01	11,000.00		8,197.01
		206.727.00	£139,835.24	11,000.00	£1,622.67	-57.514.43

Office Costs			Re	ceipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
<u>Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
37	Office supplies				1,000.00	492.97	507.03
38	Telephone and broadband				1,800.00	352.73	1,447.27
39	Photocopier rental				1,100.00	519.84	580.16
40	Photocopying				1,000.00	21.92	978.08
41	Translation				1,700.00	221.20	1,478.80
47	Computer hardware					130.00	-130.00
		-			6,600.00	£1,738.66	4,861.34

aff Costs		Rec	eipts	Payme	nts	Current Balance
Code <u>Title</u>	Bal. B/Fwd.	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
42 Salaries 43 HR fees and charges				38,150.00	15,533.85	22,616.15
44 Pension				4,500.00	1,601.58	2,898.42
45 Staff Training				1,600.00	15.00	1,585.00
46 HMRC				13,500.00	4,355.15	9,144.85
				57,750.00	£21,505.58	36,244.42
NET TOTAL		206.727.00	£139,835.24	221,600.00	£72,758.99	81,949.25

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.

SUBJECT: Four Great Highways project design options for the new

interpretation and wayfinding

REPORT FOR: Decision.

# 1. Summary.

1.1 To respond to the consultation on the preferred design options for the new interpretation and wayfinding

# 2. Draft Report

- 2.1 Following our consultation and feedback gathering earlier in the year, the Four Great Highways project team are now seeking the Town Council's views on the preferred design options for the new interpretation and wayfinding that is due to be installed as part of the project. The designs are attached.
- 2.2 Wayfinding posts are used to help people navigate around an area. Interpretation posts are used to let people know something important about the area, for example, they may be used to provide information about local history.
- 2.3 Feedback must be received by 8th October 2023 and once received the Project Board will consider which designs and pieces of interpretation are the preferred option.

### 3. Recommendation.

3.1 It is recommended that the observations on the preferred design options for the new interpretation and wayfinding by Members should be forwarded to the Four Great Highways project team as the Town Councils consultation response.

# 4. Reasons for recommendation.

4.1 To respond to statutory and local consultations.



# FOUR GREAT HIGHWAYS LLANGOLLEN INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING DESIGNS FEEDBACK



# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING – SMALL AND NARROW VERSION

These are the designs for wayfinding posts. Wayfinding posts are used to help people navigate around an area.

This design shows a small, narrow post\*. These could be put up in more places than bigger, wider signs. They could be used to show the history of an area, or to help people find their way around. We would make sure that the signs use colours which fit in with the area in which they are being put up.

A. Strong Colour –
Using bolder colours
and tones along with
full colour photos and
artworks

B. Muted Colour –
Using softer colours
and tones along with
monotone and duotone

photos

C. Black and white – Using bold black and white with grey tones

\*For illustrative purposes only









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# FOUR GREAT HIGHWAYS LLANGOLLEN INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING DESIGNS FEEDBACK



# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING - LARGE AND WIDE **VERSION**

This design shows a large, wide post\*. They could be used to show the history of an area, help people find their way around and show how long it will take to walk to another location.

We would make sure that the signs use colours which fit in with the area in which they are being put up.

A. Strong Colour -Using bolder colours and tones along with full colour photos and monotone and duotone artworks

B. Muted Colour -Using softer colours and tones along with

photos

C. Black and white -Using bold black and white with grey tones







\*For illustrative purposes only

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# FOUR GREAT HIGHWAYS LLANGOLLEN INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING DESIGNS FEEDBACK



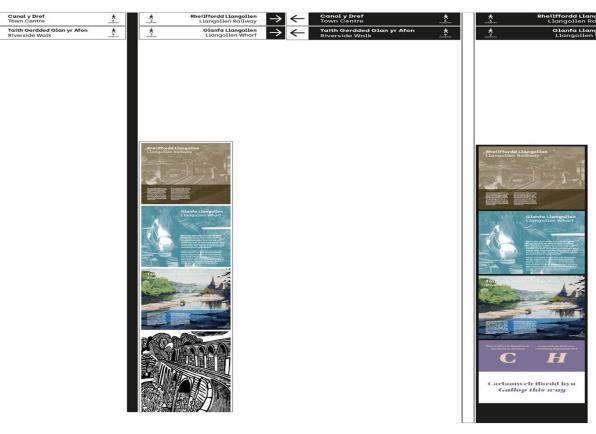
# INTERPRETATION WITH WAYFINDING FINGERPOSTS

We can also keep the direction content separate from the history information, but keep one post so there are not too many signs in the area.

This design shows the fingerposts to help people find their way with the history of the area attached to the bottom of the post\*.

- A. White fingerpost with black lettering
- B. Black fingerpost with white-out lettering

\*For illustrative purposes only A







# FOUR GREAT HIGHWAYS, LLANGOLLEN INTERPRETATION & WAYFINDING DESIGNS FEEDBACK

Following our consultation and feedback gathering earlier in the year, the Four Great Highways project team would now like to gather feedback on people's preferred design options for the new interpretation and wayfinding that is due to be installed as part of the project.

Wayfinding posts are used to help people navigate around an area.

Interpretation posts are used to let people know something important about the area, for example, they may be used to provide information about local history.

Once we have received your feedback, the team will consider which designs and pieces of interpretation are the preferred option.

It is important for us that you continue to be involved throughout the project.

Feedback must be received by Sunday 8 October 2023.

Please get in touch with us in one of the following ways:

Online feedback form: Denbighshire County Conversation

https://countyconversation.denbighshire.gov.uk/KMS/news.aspx?LoggingIn=tempVar&strTab= Home

E-mail your thoughts: <a href="mailto:fourgreathighways@denbighshire.gov.uk">fourgreathighways@denbighshire.gov.uk</a>

Complete a paper questionnaire: Llangollen Library, Castle Street, Llangollen, LL20 8NU

## Write to:

Corporate Support Service Performance, Digital & Assets, Denbighshire County Council, PO Box 62, Ruthin, LL15 9AZ







## What do we want to know?

The following designs are for new signs to be installed as part of the Four Great Highways project.

The proposed designs show different uses of colour – from a brighter colour to a toned-down version to a black and white design.

# How will the signs be made?

In order to minimise the installation and to avoid any signage clutter in town, it is proposed that the signs are installed as one piece for both directional, historical and up to date information.

The signs will be made using materials that would be hard-wearing, long-lasting and strong, that will make them difficult to vandalise and/or graffiti. The content could also be updated and replaced as and when required.

# What information will be on the signs?

The final content is to be determined following feedback from the public. At the moment we would like to hear which version is the preferred option for everyone.

The designs within this survey are for illustrative purposes only.

The final version will be designed to make sure the information can be read and understood by as many people as possible.

All designs and content will be produced bilingually.







Which of the following best describes you?	
I live and work in Llangollen	
I live in Llangollen, but I work somewhere else	
I work in Llangollen, but I live somewhere else	
I am visiting Llangollen from elsewhere in Denbighshire	
I am visiting Llangollen from somewhere else (not in Denbighshire)	
I am a County Councillor	
I am a member of the Town Council or a nearby Community Council	







# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING – SMALL AND NARROW VERSION

These are the designs for wayfinding posts.

Wayfinding posts are used to help people navigate around an area.

This design shows a small, narrow post\*. These could be put up in more places than bigger, wider signs. They could be used to show the history of an area, or to help people find their way around. We would make sure that the signs use colours which fit in with the area in which they are being put up.



A. Strong Colour –
Using bolder colours
and tones along with
full colour photos and
artworks



B. Muted Colour –
Using softer colours
and tones along with
monotone and duotone
photos



C. Black and white – Using bold black and white with grey tones



\* For illustrative purposes only







# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING – SMALL AND NARROW VERSION

Do you like the small and narrow design?				
Yes				
No				
If yes, which is your preferred colour option for	the small and narrow version?			
A – Strong colour				
B - Muted colour				
C – Black and white				
Please provide further comments				
,				
Is there anything further you would like to see in the designs and why?				









# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING – LARGE AND WIDE VERSION

This design shows a large, wide post\*. They could be used to show the history of an area, help people find their way around and show how long it will take to walk to another location. We would make sure that the signs use colours which fit in with the area in which they are being put up.





Using bolder colours and tones along with full colour photos and artworks



### B. Muted Colour -

Using softer colours and tones along with monotone and duotone photos



# C. Black and white -

Using bold black and white with grey tones

\* For illustrative purposes only







# INTEGRATED INTERPRETATION AND WAYFINDING – LARGE AND WIDE VERSION

Do you like the large and wide design?				
Yes				
No				
If yes, which is your preferred colour option for	the large and wide version?			
A – Strong colour				
B – Muted colour				
C – Black and white				
Please provide further comments				
Is there anything further you would like to see in the designs and why?				





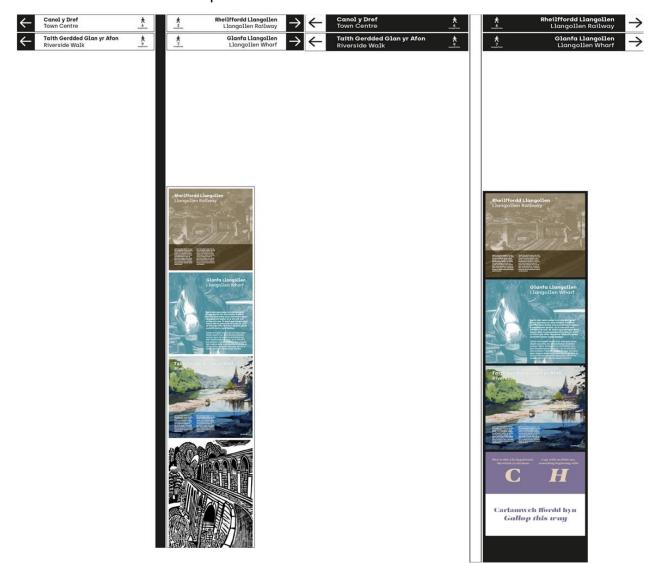




# INTERPRETATION WITH WAYFINDING FINGERPOSTS

We can also keep the direction content separate from the history information, but keep one post so there are not too many signs in the area.

This design shows the fingerposts to help people find their way with the history of the area attached to the bottom of the post\*.



A. White fingerpost with black lettering

\* For illustrative purposes only

B. Black fingerpost with white-out lettering









# INTERPRETATION WITH WAYFINDING FINGERPOSTS

Do you like the fingerpost design?				
Yes				
No				
If yes, which is your preferred colour option for	the wayfinding fingerposts?			
A - White fingerpost with black lettering with interpretation: 1. Strong colours 2. Muted colours 3. Black and white				
<ul><li>B - Black fingerpost with white lettering with interpretation:</li><li>1. Strong colours</li><li>2. Muted colours</li><li>3. Black and white</li></ul>				
Please provide further comments				
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Is there anything further you would like to see in the designs and why?				









# INTERPRETATION

Interpretation posts are used to let people know something important about the area, for example, they may be used to provide information about local history.

The following heritage and historical information has been identified for the interpretation boards, but we would like people to let us know what they would like to read about in each location. We are also interested to hear any local stories about the area that people would like to read about.

Would you like to see historical information on any of the following? (Y/N)				
The Wharf	Yes / No			
History of Llangollen Canal				
History of Wharf attraction and old canal warehouse				
Lower Dee Mill Park	Yes / No			
History of the cotton mill				
Information about the turbine house				
Llangollen Railway	Yes / No			
History – From Great Western Railway (GWR) to Dr. Beeching				
The enthusiasts of Llangollen Railway				
Are there any local stories that you would like if so, we would be interested to hear about the				







# Thank you. You have completed the main part of the survey. Staying in touch

If you would like to stay in touch, please let us know. Your data will be held on file by Denbighshire County Council for the purposes of contacting you for further engagement opportunities as we continue with the Four Great Highways project.

For more information on how Denbighshire County Council handles your personal data, please visit the Council's website: <a href="https://www.denbighshire.gov.uk/privacy">www.denbighshire.gov.uk/privacy</a>

How would you like us to get in touch with you?

Email	Letter in the post	Telephone call	
□ In another wa	y:		
Please write yo	our preferred contact	ct details in the box below	
Note: if you are	giving your postal ad	ddress, please remember to include your post	code
What is your p	referred language?		
Cymra	aeg (Welsh)	English	
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□ Another langua	age:		







We would be very grateful if you could also take the time to tell us a bit about yourself by answering some standard equality monitoring data.

Understanding who you are will help us to identify if there are common themes to the way you would like us to engage, for example if there are issues affecting a particular community.

Wha	at is your ethnic group	p? Please c	hoose one	e option that best describes your
ethr	nic background			
	White			Gypsy or Irish Traveller
	Mixed - White / Black	Caribbean		Mixed - White Caribbean
	Mixed - White / Black	African		Mixed - any other background
	Black - Caribbean			Black - African
	Black - any other back	ground		Asian - Indian
	Asian - Bangladeshi			Asian - Pakistani
	Asian - Chinese			Asian - any other background
	Prefer not to say			,
	•			
	Any other ethnicity:			
How	would you describe	your nation	nal identity	<i>i</i> ?
	•		_	
	Welsh		British	
	English		Irish	
	Northern Irish		Scottish	
	Prefer not to say			
	·			
	I have another na	ational identi	ity:	
How	v would you best desc	cribe yourse	elf?	
Plea	ase tick one option on	ıly		
	Man	Woman	Prefe	r not to say
				•
□lt	hink of myself in anoth	er way		
	•	-		







Is your gender identity the same as the gender you were assigned at your					
birth?					
Yes		No Pr	efer not to say		
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Which of the fo	ollowing bes	t describes vou	r sexual orienta	tion?	
		, <b>,</b>			
Heterosexual /	Gay man	Gay woma	an / Bisexual	Prefer not to say	
Straight	raightlesbian				
☐ Something el	se:				
Are vou marrie	ed or in a san	ne-sex civil part	nership?		
,					
Yes		No		Prefer not to say	
Please tell us y	our age				
□ 0-15 <u>y</u>	years		16-24 year	S	
□ 25-34	years		35-44 year	S	
□ 45-54	years		55-64 year	S	
□ 65-74	years		75 years o	above	
	r not to say		-		







# Caring:

Do you look after or help family members, friends, neighbours or other people because of:

- A long-term physical or mental health condition or disability
- Problems related to old age

Please tick on	о оре от <b>у</b>		
	Yes	No	Prefer not to say

# Disability:

Section 6(1) of the Equality Act 2010 states that a person has a disability if:

- That person has a physical or mental impairment, and
- The impairment has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on that person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

Using this definition, do you consider yourself to be disabled?

Yes	No	Prefer not to say









what is	your religion or	bellet?		
	No religion		Christian	
	Muslim		Buddhist	
	Jewish		Sikh	
	Atheist		Prefer not to sa	у
	Another religion	or belief:		
Please s	elect the most a	ppropriate o	options below in	relation to the Welsh
Languag	je:			
Ability to	o speak in Welsl	า		
□ Extrer	extremely confident   □ Confid		dent	□ Somewhat confident
□ Not ve	ery confident	□ Not a	t all confident	□ No interest
Ability to	o read in Welsh			
□ Extrem	nely confident	□ Confi	dent	□ Somewhat confident
□ Not ve	ry confident	☐ Not a	t all confident	☐ No interest
Ability to	o write in Welsh			
□ Extrem	nely confident	□ Confi	dent	□ Somewhat confident
□ Not ve	ry confident	□ Not a	t all confident	□ No interest
Knowled	dge of the Welsh	ı language a	nd Welsh culture	)
□ Extrem	nely confident	□ Confi	dent	☐ Somewhat confident
□ Not ve	ry confident	□ Not a	t all confident	□ No interest



REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.

SUBJECT: North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority's consultation on

improving the future of emergency cover in North Wales.

REPORT FOR: Decision.

### 1. Summary.

1.1 To consider the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority's consultation on improving the future of emergency cover in North Wales.

# 2. Background.

- 2.1 The Town Council has been approached by Hayley Miller, Lead Finance Officer, on the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority's (NWFRA) consultation on improving the future of emergency cover in North Wales.
- 2.2 The Authority recognises that emergency cover is the way they manage resources to keep people safe, no matter where they live or who they are. NWFRA aim to continue being when needed. This consultation is therefore important to everyone in North Wales and listening to views is important to the Authority who want to know what stakeholders think.
- 2.3 NWFRA are asking for an opinion on what risks are of most concern and which of the options identified in the consultation report best meets the needs of all our communities, or if stakeholders have any other suggestion about other ways of providing emergency cover in North Wales. The questionnaire is appended to this report
- 2.4 NWFRA have not made any decisions yet and we will remain open-minded about the solution until after all the feedback, evidence and information has been gathered and considered. After the consultation closes on Friday 22 September 2023, all the feedback gathered will be analysed to produce a report setting out what people have said about our proposed options. After the final decision has been made, any changes to emergency cover would take place in a phased approach, as part of our 2024/28 Community Risk Management Plan.

### 3. Recommendation.

3.1 It is recommended that the questionnaire once considered by Members should be forwarded to NWFRA as the Town Councils consultation response.

# 4. Reasons for recommendation.

4.1 To respond to consultations.



North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority is running a public consultation to gather feedback from those who live, work and travel in the region about the future of how we provide our emergency cover services in North Wales.

Emergency cover is the way we manage our resources to keep people safe - no matter where you live or who you are, we aim to be there for you when you need us.

This means being able to provide an equitable service across our diverse communities – diverse in terms of location and geography, in terms of the types of incidents we respond to, and also in terms of the people we serve, whatever your ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation and regardless of any disability.

We aim to achieve this by managing our resources, our budget and our people as effectively as possible.

Balancing this against the current challenges to providing our services is also key – especially when our part time or on-call firefighters are not as available as they have been traditionally, when the risks faced by our communities are changing with climate change and when the financial challenges are greater than ever.

And it is not just about responding to incidents – preventing them from happening in the first place is far better for everyone involved. Our prevention and protection work is therefore equally as important to helping to keep you safe.

Understanding your views and the views of all those who live, work and travel in our region is key to this – so thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

The information you provide will be treated confidentially, in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR).

Please do not include any personal information in the free text fields, as it may be necessary for us to share the results of the consultation with an external agency to facilitate collation of those results.

Any personal information you do provide will be treated in the strictest confidence and in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 2018 and the UK General Data Protection Regulations (UK GDPR) and will only be used by North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority or disclosed to others for a legally permissible purpose.

This consultation is also available in Welsh.

Mae'r ymgynghoriad hon ar gael yn Gymraeg hefyd

# **Our Approach**

In our consultation document (www.northwalesfire.gov.wales) we highlight some of the risks we face. We would like to understand which areas of risk are most worrying to you.

# Question 1

# What risks concern you most?

Please rank the following risks, with 1 being most worrying to you and 4 least worrying.

Please select one option only in each row.

	1	2	3	4
House Fires	0	O	0	0
Wildfires	0	O	0	0
Road Traffic Collisions	0	O	0	0
Flooding	o	0	0	o

# **Question 2**

Do you feel there are any other risks we should be considering or planning for?

### **Question 3**

Which decision-making criteria is most important to you?

North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority use criteria to inform its decision making about service provision across North Wales. We would like to understand how you would prioritise these criteria.

Please rank the following, with 1 being most important to you and 6 least important.

Please select one option only in each row.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Emergency Cover – how our fire appliances respond to emergency calls	o	0	0	0	0	0
Protection and prevention – how we keep your homes and businesses safe	o	0	o	0	0	0
Affordability - keeping our services as affordable as possible, providing best value for money	o	0	0	0	0	0
Workforce – impact of changes on our teams	o	O	o	o	o	o
Fair and equitable service - having our staff at the right place, at the right time and with the right skills	o	0	0	0	0	0
Social value - recognising the impact of any changes we make on our communities	o	o	o	o	0	o

# Question 4

Please briefly explain your reasoning for choosing the ratings in question 3?

# Question 5

Are there any other criteria that you think should be included in question 3?

# **Options for Emergency Response for the Future**

Our options propose varying the level of our response in certain areas and reducing levels during periods of lower demand. We are now interested in your view on our options.

Please consider each of the following 3 options and score them in the questions that follow.

	Option 1		Option 2		Option 3		
Station and/or Duty System Changes	Rhyl and Deeside move to Day Crewing and Rural Wholetime staff are relocated			Rhyl and Deeside move to Day Staffing, Wrexham's 3 <sup>rd</sup> appliance is removed and Rural Wholetime Duty staff are relocated			
Wholetime Stations Introduced	Day Staffing at Corwen, Porthmadog and Dolgellau		Day Staffing at Corwen, Porthmadog and Dolgellau		Day Staffing at Porthmadog and Dolgellau		
Station Closures	None		None		Abersoch, Beaumaris, Llanberis Cerrigydrudion and Conwy	S,	
Wholetime Staff Numbers	No Change		22 Less Wholetime Firefighters 12% Reduction	36 Less Wholetime Firefighters 19% Reduction	Û		
On-Call Staff Numbers	No Change		No Change		38 less On-Call Firefighters 8% Reduction	Û	
Percentage of North Wales households receiving a 1 <sup>st</sup> response within 20 minutes	Increased to 92.7%	Û	Increased to 92.2%	Û	Decreased to 91.5%	Û	
Difference with current response model	2,148 more households receive a response within 20 minutes	Û	321 more households receive a response within 20 minutes	Û	2,087 less households receive a response within 20 minutes	Û	
Change in Prevention and Protection Activity per annum	1,740 extra residential safe and well checks. Increased industry and business engagement in rural areas	Û	1,740 extra residential safe and well checks. Increased industry and business engagement in rural areas	Û	1,160 extra residential safe and well checks. Increased industry and business engagement in rural areas	Û	
Social Value	in rural areas e.g. school visits, safety campaigns, partnership events. Increased potential for future wholetime employment opportunities in South		ncreased community engagement in rural areas e.g. school visits, safety campaigns, partnership events. Increased potential for future wholetime employment opportunities in South Denbighshire and Gwynedd		Reduced community engageme and reduced employment opportunities in the 5 areas who on-call stations would be closed Increased potential for future wholetime employment opportunities in Gwynedd	ere	
Estimated cost per household per annum	£171.02		£167.29	£162.88			
Difference with 23/24 cost per household per annum			£16.63 increase		£12.22 increase		

Green = positive change Red = negative change

# **Question 6**

# **Option 1 involves:**

- Maintaining a 24-hour response model at our existing wholetime stations, with Rhyl and Deeside fire stations changing to a day crewing duty system.
- The addition of three day staffed fire stations located at Corwen, Porthmadog, and Dolgellau, utilising the reallocation of wholetime firefighters following changes at Rhyl, Deeside and the Rural Wholetime Duty System.

To what extent do you think this option meets the needs of our communities?

Please select one option only.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
I agree strongly	0	0	O	O	O	0
I agree	0	0	Ο	O	0	0
I don't agree or disagree	O	O	o	o	o	O
I disagree	O	O	o	O	o	O
I disagree strongly	0	O	0	0	0	0

### **Question 7**

Please explain why you made this choice.

# **Question 8**

# **Option 2 involves:**

A response model where Rhyl and Deeside fire stations change to a day staffing duty system.

- Wrexham's third fire appliance is removed, maintaining one fire appliance staffed by wholetime firefighters and one appliance staffed by on-call firefighters.
- The redistribution of staff from Wrexham, Rhyl, and Deeside fire stations and the Rural Wholetime Duty System enables the addition of three day staffed stations, located at Corwen, Porthmadog, and Dolgellau and a reduction in wholetime firefighter numbers by 22.
- The realisation of £1.1 million of savings towards the 2024/25 budget.

To what extent do you think this option meets the needs of our communities?

	1	2	3	4	5	6
I agree strongly	0	0	0	0	O	0
l agree	Ο	0	0	0	0	0
I don't agree or disagree	0	O	o	o	o	0
I disagree	o	o	o	o	o	O
I disagree strongly	0	0	0	0	0	0

# **Question 9**

Please explain why you made this choice.

#### **Question 10**

# **Option 3 involves:**

- A response model where Rhyl and Deeside fire stations change to a day staffing duty system.
- Wrexham's third fire appliance is removed, maintaining one fire appliance staffed by wholetime firefighters and one appliance staffed by on-call firefighters.
- The redistribution of staff from Wrexham, Rhyl, and Deeside fire stations and the Rural Wholetime Duty System enables the addition of **two** day staffed stations, located at Porthmadog and Dolgellau and a reduction in wholetime firefighter numbers by 36.
- The closure of five on-call fire stations at Abersoch, Beaumaris, Cerrigydrudion, Conwy, and Llanberis, resulting in the reduction of on-call firefighter numbers by 38.
- The realisation of £2.4 million of savings towards the 2024/25 budget.

To what extent do you think this option meets the needs of our communities?

	1	2	3	4	5	6
I agree strongly	0	0	O	O	ο	0
l agree	0	0	O	O	0	0
I don't agree or disagree	o	ο	o	o	O	0
I disagree	0	ο	o	o	o	ο
I disagree strongly	0	0	0	o	0	0

# Question 11

Please explain why you made this choice.

### **Question 12**

Are there any other equality issues that we could be thinking about?

### **Question 13**

Are there any other areas of emergency cover that you would like us to consider?

# **Question 14**

If you are responding on behalf of an organisation or group, please tell us who you represent and where you are based/which area you cover.

# **Question 15**

Are you an employee of North Wales Fire and Rescue Service? Please select one option only.

# **Question 16**

Please choose one of the following to indicate the local authority area in North Wales where you live, work, or are visiting.

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.

SUBJECT: Free parking days 2023

REPORT FOR: Decision.

# 1. Summary.

1.1 To consider taking up the offer of free parking days.

# 2. Background.

- 2.1 Every year the County Council gives each City/Town Council 5 free parking days a year to use as they wish. County Officers are therefore seeking details of the days that the Town Council would like to allocate for 2022.
- 2.2 Over the last few years the Town Council has used these days over the weekend of the Christmas festival and in the run to Christmas to assist retail activity in the town which has proved popular.
- 2.3 However post pandemic the Llangollen Food Festival has now also focused their activities on the town centre having moved from the Llangollen Pavilion, and they have approached the Town Council and are asking if two of the days could be allocated to support the food festival weekend in October
- 2.4 it is and therefore suggested the days for this year should be

1	Saturday	14 October 2023	Llangollen Food Festival
2	Sunday	15 October 2023	Llangollen Food Festival
3	Saturday	30 November 2023	Llangollen Christmas Festival
4	Saturday	23 December 2023	Christmas shopping
5	Sunday	24 December 2023	Christmas shopping

# 3. Recommendation.

3.1 It is recommended that the scheduled of free parking days detailed, be submitted to the County Council.

# 4. Reasons for recommendation.

4.1 To support local retailers and the hospitality sector and reduce travel to satellite towns.