

TAFLEN BENDERFYNIAD AELOD CABINET CABINET MEMBER'S DECISION NOTICE

PWNC/SUBJECT:

Ardal Gwella Busnes (AGB) Bangor a Caernarfon Arfaethedig – Pleidleisiau Cyngor Gwynedd
Proposed Bangor and Caernarfon Business Improvement Districts (BID) – Gwynedd Council's Votes.

AELOD CABINET/CABINET MEMBER – Y Cyngorydd Mandy Williams-Davies / Councillor
Mandy Williams-Davies

PENDERFYNIAD/DECISION

Fod Cyngor Gwynedd yn dychwelyd ei holl bleidleisiau o blaid y cynnig i sefydlu Ardal Gwella Busnes arfaethedig ym Mangor a Chaernarfon.

Awdurdodi'r Pennaeth Economi a Chymuned i arwyddo'r papur chyflwyno'r pleidleisiau erbyn 24 o Fedi 2015.

(Cyflwynir y Daflen fel penderfyniad brys yn unol â rhan 7.25.2 o'r Cyfansoddiad y dylid ei heithrio o'r drefn galw er mwyn sicrhau fod y Cyngor yn medru cyflwyno pleidleisiau cyn y dyddiad cau. Derbyniwyd cytundeb Cadeirydd y Cyngor ei fod yn cytuno ei fod yn fater brys a bod y penderfyniad a gynnigir yn un rhesymol o dan yr amgylchiadau.)

That Gwynedd Council returns all its votes in favour of establishing the proposed Business Improvement Districts in Bangor and Caernarfon.

To authorise the Head of Economy and Community to sign and return the votes before 24th September 2015

(This Decision Notice is presented as an urgent decision in accordance with part 7.25.2 of the Constitution in that the call-in procedure does not apply in order to enable the Council to return its votes before the closing date. The agreement of the Council's Chairman has been received that the decision is urgent and resonable under the circumstances.)

RHESYMAU DROS Y PENDERFYNIAD/REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Yng nghyfarfodod o'r Cabinet 14 Gorffennaf 2015 penderfynwyd datgan cefnogaeth i gynnal pleidlais ar y cynnig o sefydlu Ardal Gwella Busnes (AGB) ym Mangor a Chaernarfon, Yn ystod y cyfarod hwn dirprwywyd yr hawl i Aelod Cabinet yr Economi fod a chyfrifoldeb dros bleidleisio ar ran Cyngor Gwynedd mewn cysylltiad a swyddogion perthnasol.

Mae Cyngor Gwynedd (ar y cyd a'r sector fusnes yn lleol yn y ddwy ganolfan) wedi bod yn rhan ganolog o arwain ar gynllun yr AGB. Mae'r weledigaeth i'r sector fusnes fod yn arwain ar gynlluniau adfywio o fewn eu trefi i'r dyfodol yn cael ei groesawu ac byddai'r AGB yn cynnig gyflwng ar gyfer gwneud hyn. Mae swyddogion yr Adran Economi wedi cyd-weithio yn agos gyda grwpiau dros yr wythnosau diwethaf, a byddai peidio pleidleisio yn sgil y cynnydd sydd wedi ei wneud yn tansellio pwysigrwydd y AGB a'r gefnogaeth sydd.

During its meeting on 14th July 2015, the Cabinet approved the intention to hold a vote on the proposal to establish Business Improvement Districts in Bangor and Caernarfon. It was also agreed to delegate the nature of the vote to the Cabinet Member for the Economy in connection with relevant officers.

Gwynedd Council (along with the business sector in both centres) has played a leading role in the BID proposals. The vision that the business community is able to lead on regeneration proposals within their town is to be welcomed, and the BIDS would offer a mechanism for this to happen. Officers for the Economy and Community department have worked closely with the business groups over recent weeks, and not returning votes in view of the progress made would undermine the importance of the BIDs and support for it.

YSTYRIAETHAU PERTHNASOL/ RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

Yn 2014 derbyniodd Cyngor Gwynedd £25,000 o gefnogaeth ariannol gan Lywodraeth Cymru ar gyfer datbygu y cysyniad a'r cynllun busnes i ddatblygu Ardal Gwella Busnes yng Nghaernarfon a Bangor. Roedd canlyniad y gwaith dichonoldeb cychwynnol yn bositif ac yn argymhell symud ymlaen i'r cam nesaf o gynnal pleidlais gyda'r bwriad o sefydlu AGB yn y ddwy ganolfan.

Mae'r gwaith cychwynnol wedi adnabod rol ddeuol i'r Cyngor. Tra mae'r Cyngor yn hwyluso a rheoli'r cynllun, mae hefyd yn drethdalwr annomestig yn y ddwy ganolfan.

Mae gan Gyngor Gwynedd, fel trethdalwr trethi annomestig bleidlais ar gyfer bob un o'u heiddo yn yr ardaloedd hyn. Ym Mangor, mae eiddo Cyngor Gwynedd yn gymysg o meusydd parcio, swyddfeydd, neuaddau a toiledau cyhoeddus; ac yn Gaernarfon mae swyddfeydd, meusydd parcio ac eiddo amrywiol yn gynnwysiedig o fewn yr AGB arfaethedig. Cytunwyd Cabinet 14 Gorffennaf i benderfynu ar natur y bleidlais wedi i'w dirprwyo i'r Aelod Cabinet Economi mewn cysylltiad â swyddogion perthnasol.

Pe sefydlir AGB, byddai'n rhaid i'r Cyngor dalu'r ardoll ychwanegol am eiddo annomestig ym mherchnogaeth y Cyngor o fewn finiau'r AGB e.e. ar sail ardoll o 1.5%, rhagwelir y byddai cost ychwanegol o tua £16,411 y flwyddyn (£3,346 ym Mangor a £13,065 yng Nghaernarfon). Mae cyllidebau ar gyfer y costau hyn wedi eu hadnabod o fewn gyllideb Adran Economi a Chymuned.

In 2014 Gwynedd Council received financial assistance of £25,000 from Welsh Government to develop the the concept and business plan regarding Business Improvement District (BID) in Caernarfon and Bangor. The initial feasibility work was positive, and recommended progressing to the next stage of holding a vote on the proposal to establish a BID in the two centres.

The initial work identified a dual role for the Council. Whilst the Council has been involved with facilitating and managing the work, it is also a non-domestic ratepayer in both centres.

Gwynedd Council, as a non-domestic ratepayer, has a vote for every one of its properties in these areas. In Bangor, Gwynedd Council owns various properties including car parks, offices, halls and public toilets; and in Caernarfon it owns offices, car parks and various properties within the proposed BID area. On 14th July, the Cabinet resolved to delegate the nature of the vote to the Cabinet Member for the Economy in connection with relevant officers.

Should BIDs be established, Gwynedd Council would be required to additional rates on non-domestic properties within the BID boundaries i.e. based on an a levy of 1.5%, it is calculated to be approximately £16,411 per year (£3,346 in Bangor and £13,065 in Caernarfon). Funding for these costs have been identified within the Economy and Community Department's budgets.

BARN Y SWYDDOGION STATUDOL/VIEWS OF STATUTORY OFFICERS

1. Y Prif Weithredwr/Chief Executive:-

"Dim i'w ychwanegu"

"Nothing to add"

2. Swyddog Monitro/ Monitoring Officer:-

"Cadarnhaf fod y penderfyniad ynglyn a pleidlais y Cyngor wedi ei ddirprwyo yn unol a'r daflen a bod y Cyfansoddiad yn caniatáu taflen benderfyniad y gellir ei gweithredu gan hepgor y drefn galw i mewn yn ddarostyngedig i gyd-syniad y Cadeirydd. Dim sylwadau pellach o safbwynt priodoldeb."

"I confirm that the decision regarding the Council's votes has been delegated in accordance with the notice and the Constitution allows for decision notice to be implemented without call-in subject to the approval of the Chairman. No further comments from a propriety perspective."

3. Prif Swyddog Cyllid/Chief Finance Officer:-

"Dim i'w ychwanegu o safbwynt priodoldeb ariannol".

"Nothing to add from a financial propriety perspective".

BARN YR AELOD LLEOL/VIEW OF LOCAL MEMBER

LLOFNOD /SIGNED

DYDDIAD/DATE

M. Ellis-Dave

23/9/15
