

ANNUAL REPORT

2024-25



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Place Plan

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It has been a tremendous honour to serve as the Town Mayor of the Bay of Colwyn for the 2024/25 Municipal Year, representing both our Town Council and our incredible community. This year has brought its challenges, yet time and again, I have been inspired by the resilience, creativity, and kindness of those who go above and beyond to support others. Our town's greatest strength is its people, and it has been a privilege to witness the energy and spirit that make the Bay of Colwyn such a special place.

Throughout the year, the Town Council has continued to support the heartbeat of our community—its people, organisations and volunteers—through an impactful grants programme. Thanks to this funding, essential local charities have been able to continue their vital work, covering everything from bereavement support and mental health services to youth activities, heritage events, and warm spaces during the winter.

Whether helping with heating costs, youth-led projects, or supporting events like Pride, Prom Xtra, the Artisan Market, and the Big Picnic, these grants make a real and lasting difference in our communities.

As Town Mayor, I've had the privilege of representing the Bay of Colwyn at numerous civic and community events, with valued support from Deputy Mayor Cllr Jo Nuttall and past Mayor Cllr Hannah Fleet. Collectively, we attended over 80 engagements, each one reflecting the strength and spirit of our community.

From regional civic services in Rhyl, Llandudno, Holywell, and Towyn & Kinmel Bay, to local highlights such as Bay of Colwyn Civic Sunday, the Horticultural Society's Annual Shows, St David's Hospice Tea Party, and the grand opening of Gardd Pawb — each occasion has been a reminder of the pride people have in our area. We also supported and celebrated moments like VE Day and cheered on Wales v Lancashire Girls Cricket at Penrhyn Avenue.



Cultural highlights included meeting the cast of Aladdin, enjoying performances by Cor Alaw and the Tenovus Choir, and attending High School Musical and the Puppet Theatre Open Day. Creative events such as the Beach of Dreams project, a Hugging a Tree World Record Attempt, and even a Python on the Pier added a touch of fun and imagination.

Remembrance remained a significant part of the civic calendar. I was honoured to represent the Council at the Remembrance Sunday parade and service in Colwyn Bay, and attend commemorations at Llanellian Cemetery and with the Blind Veterans. We also marked Merchant Navy Day, Holocaust Memorial Day, and the Tree of Lights service in Rhos on Sea. Celebrating the 100th birthday of John Evans was another uplifting moment of community pride.

We also held our own Civic Service, where I chose to celebrate the incredible contributions of our local volunteers. It was a pleasure to reconnect with many of them at the Volunteer Awards evening, and at coffee mornings, fundraisers, and open days at venues including St Joseph's Church, Norfolk House, and the Community Hwb's 1st birthday celebrations.

Our commitment to regional initiatives continued, with Colwyn in Bloom securing another Gold medal from the RHS and being recognised as Best Large Town in Wales. It was a joy to meet the judges and present awards to local schools and community groups for their contributions.

I also took part in judging the Christmas Window Competition and presented awards on behalf of the Sir John Henry Morris Jones Trust — shining a light on the creativity and effort that enrich our town.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported my Mayor's Charity this year, Bryn Cadno Community Centre. Your generosity not only raised much-needed funds but also helped bring people together.

The Bay of Colwyn continues to thrive because of its people — the volunteers, creative thinkers, caring neighbours, and committed leaders who make this such a vibrant place to live. I hope the pages that follow reflect the many highlights of this civic year and the continued dedication of the Town Council to our community.

With heartfelt thanks and admiration.

Cllr Ricki Owen

Town Mayor 2024/25





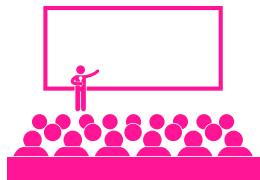
This Annual Report aims to provide clarity to our local residents on the role and priorities of the Town Council and let you know what we have focused our attention on during the past year. The work of the Council is guided by our key objectives and priorities as set in The Colwyn Place Plan which was formally adopted and published in January 2024 (see www.colwynplaceplan.com).

The plan provides the Council with a vision, objectives, principles and actions, giving it direction and enabling it to work in a more focused, consistent and coordinated way. The actions in the plan are organised into six themes, identifying the things that matter most to our local residents: Housing and Future Development; Culture, Heritage & Tourism; Facilities, Assets, Health and Wellbeing; Getting around – A Connected Colwyn; Promoting a Green Colwyn and Business, Retail and Skills. It will also provide us with a benchmark for monitoring and reviewing performance and help us to demonstrate that decisions are being made in a consistent, transparent and accountable way.

Our Annual Report is our main way of giving you information about what we are doing to meet the needs of our local community. Please tell us what you think – we welcome your comments and are happy to answer any questions you may have.

See [Page 25](#) for our Contact Details, or alternatively, please contact: Mrs Tina Earley, Town Clerk, should you have any questions or comments: clerk@colwyn-tc.gov.uk / Tel: 01492 532248





Bay of Colwyn Town Council is a corporate body, formed under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972. It came into existence in May 1995, as part of a major local government reorganisation, which also saw the creation of Conwy County Borough Council. It is a local authority in its own right and is part of the first tier of local government, with an important role in shaping and supporting the local communities it represents.

The Town Council has 24 elected members who represent a population of approximately 26,500 people across six Wards: Rhos, Dinarth, Rhiw, Glyn, Eirias and Colwyn. These cover the communities of Rhos-on-Sea, Colwyn Bay (including Upper Colwyn Bay) and Old Colwyn. See page 23 for a list of our current members.

The agenda for each Council or Committee meeting is posted on the notice board outside the Town Hall and on the Council's website and members of the public are welcome to attend meetings to watch the Council make its decisions. Many of our meetings enable people to attend remotely (online) and the link to join the meeting as an observer can be obtained by contacting the Town Hall. A list of our future meeting dates can be found in APPENDIX A, page 26 and minutes of the meetings of the Council and its Committees are also published online at <https://www.colwyn-tc.gov.uk/town-council/council-meetings/>

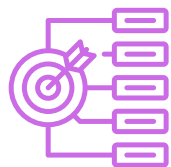
Some of the matters most commonly discussed by the Town Council include: planning applications (we are a consultee on all applications affecting our area); street furniture (signs, notice boards, benches, cycle racks, litter bins, bus shelters, street lights etc); parks and open spaces and events. The Town Council regularly provides financial support for local events (organised by ourselves or others) and for local voluntary groups and clubs operating in its area - please see the grants section of our website for details of how to apply.

The Council is often called upon to act as a lobbying voice for the local community, where there are concerns about, or improvements needed, to services delivered by other public bodies. This can include services by Conwy County Borough Council, such as highways, education or social services, or other important public services such as local policing or health matters. It is also either consulted about, or is directly involved in partnership working with the County Council and others for some larger locally based projects, such as the ongoing regeneration of Colwyn Bay.

Many of the Council's members also have a role in representing the Council on other local bodies, such as environmental groups, business groups, community centres, schools governing bodies and other local interest groups. This helps the Council to keep in touch with things that are happening in the local area.

Whilst recognising it has wide and varied role, the Town Council can only do those things that it is permitted by law to do – these are known as the powers of the Council. The Council also has a number of duties which it must perform, though these are fairly limited in number.





Corporate Vision, Mission and Values

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The Town Council, elected to serve a five-year term until May 2027, will be reviewing its vision, mission and core values during the coming years, following the recent adoption of the Colwyn Place Plan. The current ones will continue to apply until then:



Mission

We commit to represent, listen and be accountable to the whole community, to value our heritage, nurture the wellbeing of all and to promote a thriving and vibrant environment, for current and future generations.



Vision

Our vision is to be a vibrant, inclusive and caring coastal community

In order to do this, we will engage with our community and encourage collaboration, long-term thinking and innovation to positively impact on the wellbeing of all who live in, work in or visit the Bay of Colwyn.

Our Core Values:

Underpinning our vision and mission are a number of core values, which will be reflected in what we do and what we say. We aim to be ...



Ethical



Empowering



**Honest &
Trustworthy**



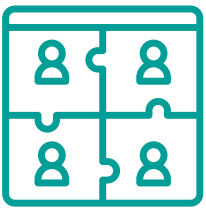
Respectful



Inclusive



**Caring &
Responsible**



The Town Council recognises that well-being is about being healthy and happy in all areas of our lives, including physical and mental health, good relationships and being part of resilient communities. This includes striving to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs and taking what action we consider reasonable towards our local Public Service Board's priority areas. It also includes embracing the five ways of working: long term; prevention; collaboration; integration and involvement.

This Annual Report includes information about the actions taken by the Council since May 2024, which have contributed to the wellbeing of our local community.

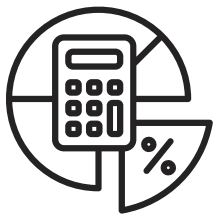
Key Objectives

We have continued to focus on the following priority areas, reflecting the priorities of Conwy County Borough Council:

-  **People in Conwy value and look after the environment**
-  **People in Conwy live in a county which has a prosperous economy with culture at its heart**
-  **People in Conwy are educated and skilled**
-  **People in Conwy have access to affordable, appropriate, good quality accommodation that enhances the quality of their lives**
-  **People in Conwy are safe and feel safe**
-  **People in Conwy are healthy**
-  **People in Conwy live in a county where the use of Welsh is thriving and people can participate in all aspects of community life through the medium of Welsh**
-  **People in Conwy are informed, included and listened to and can actively contribute to a community where their background and identity are valued and respected**
-  **Conwy County Borough is resilient**

These also incorporate the objectives of the Conwy and Denbighshire Public Service Board, as identified in the updated Local Wellbeing Plan 2023-28, which focuses on making Conwy and Denbighshire a more equal place with less deprivation and identifies 4 key themes to support this main objective:

Well-being – Communities are happier, healthier and more resilient in the face of challenges, such as the Climate Change and Nature Emergency, or the rising cost of living; Economy – There is a flourishing economy, supported by a skilled workforce fit for the future; Equality – Those with protected characteristics face fewer barriers; Housing – There is improved access to good quality housing.

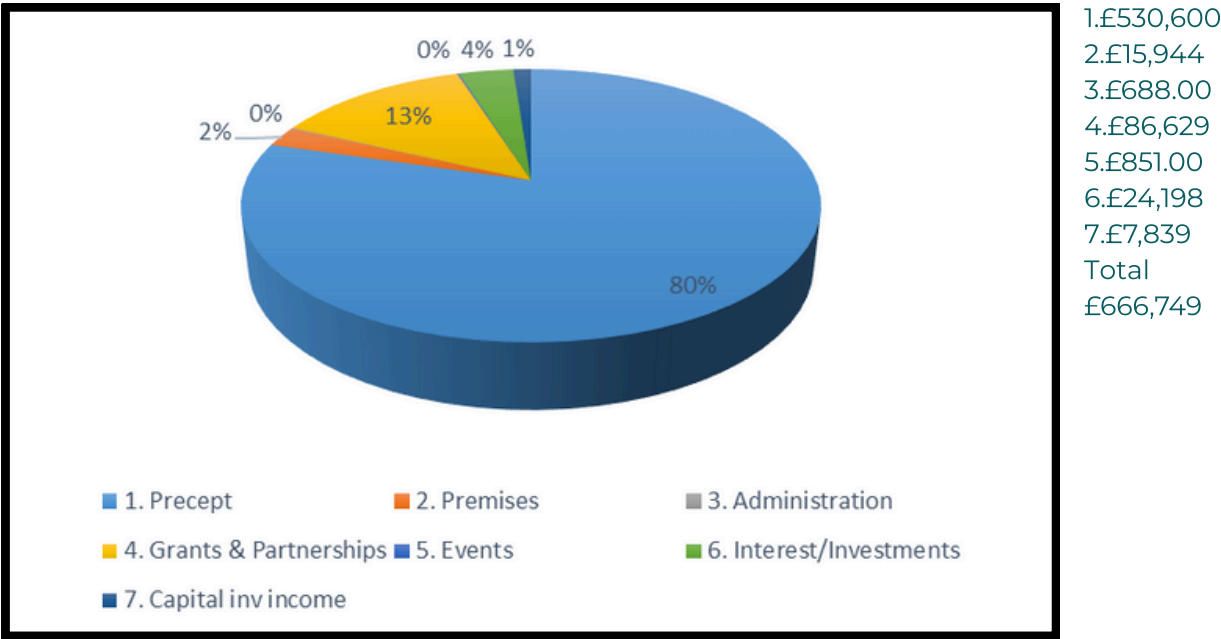


The Town Council receives the majority of its income from the residents of the Bay of Colwyn area, through what is known as the ‘precept’. This is a local tax set by the Town Council annually and it is collected on our behalf by Conwy County Borough Council, as part of the annual council tax bill.

In 2024/25, an average council tax bill (for a Band D property) included £44.34 for the Town Council (3% increase on the previous year). This provided a total precept income of £530,600.

Other income came from service charge contributions from shared occupation of our Rhiw Road site, one-off grants and interest/income from investments. The total income received for the year was £666,749.

Fig.1: Sources of Income 2024/25



The Council meets to agree its annual budget for income and expenditure in January each year and uses this to determine the amount of precept it needs to collect from its local taxpayers. The Council’s expenditure for 2024/25 is summarised below and has been itemised under the following broad headings:

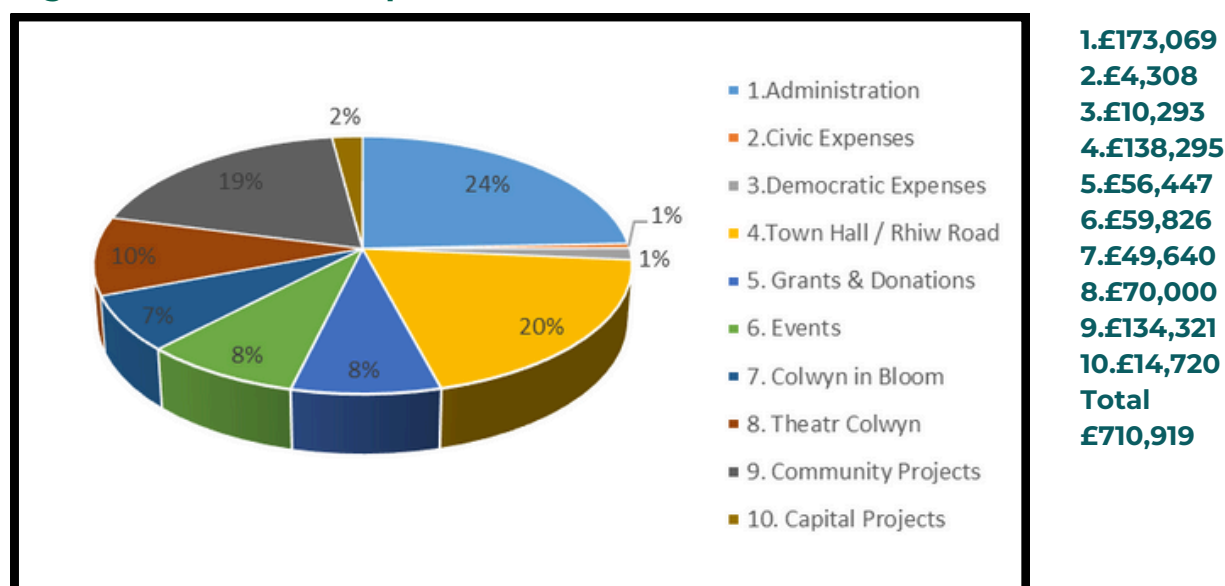


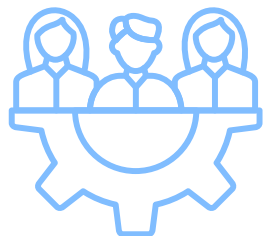


- Administrative costs: staff, travel, training, insurance, audit, professional fees, office and IT equipment, IT and software support and publicity
- Civic Expenses: mayoral expenses and municipal events
- Democratic Expenses: members' travel expenses, allowances, training and cost of any election or by-election(s) occurring during the year
- Town Hall / Rhiw Road site: all premises related costs
- Grants and Donations: small grants (<£500) and larger grants to local organisations, scholarships, plus targeted grants such as youth grants and well-being grants.
- Events: funding for events run by the Town Council, such as the annual bonfire and fireworks event, and funding support to others putting on events in the local area
- Colwyn in Bloom: various local environmental projects
- Theatr Colwyn: support towards the cost of operating our local theatre and Oriel Colwyn
- Community Projects: a variety of community-based projects including summer play schemes, Christmas Lights, CCTV, parks and gardens, street furniture, digital noticeboards and community engagement.
- Capital Projects: street furniture and contribution towards new and replacement play equipment across our 19 county council owned local playgrounds

The total expenditure for 2024/25 was £710,919. The key expenditure headings for 2024/25 can be broken down as follows:

Fig 2. Main items of expenditure 2024/25





Governance and Accountability

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We are committed to being open, transparent, and accountable in everything we do. To ensure robust management of our assets and resources, we operate under a framework of Standing Orders, Financial Regulations, and Internal Controls, supported by proactive risk management practices.

The Council is independently assessed each year through both internal and external audits. We publish the outcomes of these audits on our website and public noticeboards, ensuring our community is kept informed.

In the year ahead, we will continue to work through the Welsh Government's Toolkit for Governance and Accountability (2022), using it as a foundation for a phased review and improvement of our policies and procedures.



For more information about the Bay of Colwyn Place Plan, please visit the Place Plan website at:

www.colwynplaceplan.com

You can also register to receive our regular newsletter by e-mailing:

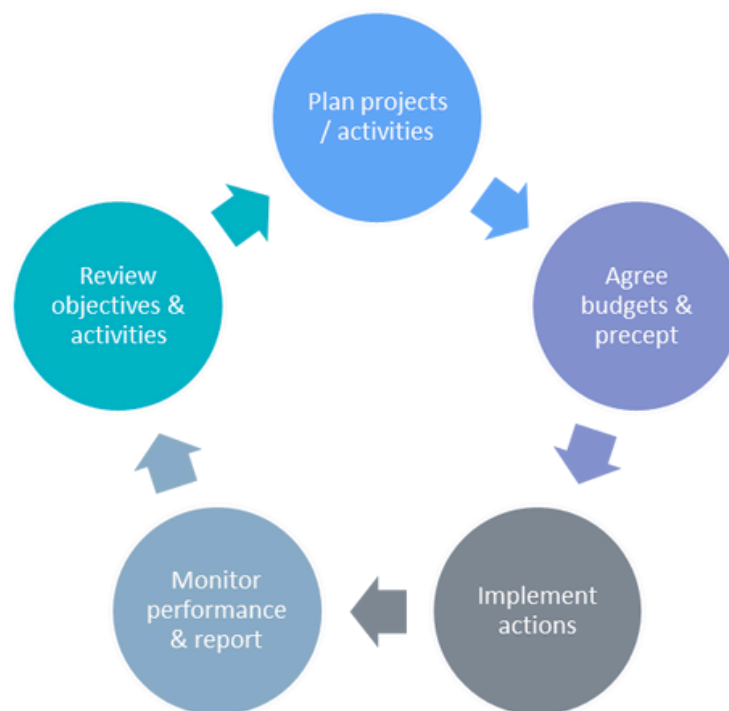
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Performance against our agreed objectives is monitored quarterly by the Council and, wherever possible, measured using quantifiable outputs and outcomes. The process of identifying new projects and activities, agreeing actions, setting budgets, monitoring performance and reviewing progress is a constant cycle, with the key stages being:

- Approval of an annual action plan (by December each year)
- Budget setting for the following financial year (by January)
- Quarterly progress review (June, September, December, March)
- Production of an Annual Report (May), summarising progress made / activities undertaken during the preceding financial year and outlining key aspirations for the year ahead.
- Reviewing the key objectives in the Public Service Board's local Area Wellbeing Plan and incorporating any new ones (annually, following publication).

FIG 3: PLAN/BUDGET/IMPLEMENT/MONITOR/REVIEW CYCLE:





Large Grants

Benefit Advice Shop
Citizen's Advice
CBay Conservation & Environment Federation (CBCEF)
Cruse
Bereavement
Home-Start Conwy



Small Grants

Ysgol Pen y Bryn
Clwyd & Gwynedd Army Cadets
Merched y Wawr
Rhos on Sea Bowling Club
Conwy Mind
Côr Alaw
NWAMI
Urdd Gobaith Cymru
Men's Shed
Min y Don Bowling Club
Porth Eirias Runners
Wintergreen
Wales Air Ambulance



Wellbeing Grants

Bayside Radio / Coast Community Radio
Colwyn Canoe Club
Rhos on Sea Bowling Club
Jewish Historical Association of South Wales
Pantastic Steel Pan and Cajon Duo



Youth Grants

Together for Colwyn Bay
–Next Gen Youth
iCompass





Supporting local groups, organisations and initiatives through grant funding is a key part of the Town Council's commitment to strengthening our community. Over the past year, we've provided financial support to a wide range of projects that reflect the priorities set out in the Colwyn Place Plan—helping to improve wellbeing, promote inclusion, support young people, protect our environment, and celebrate local culture. This section outlines how our grant funding has made a difference across the Bay of Colwyn.

Large Grants – Enabling Vital Services and Charitable Work Across the Bay of Colwyn

The Large Grants Programme has played a crucial role in sustaining the work of charities and organisations delivering frontline services, advice, and support across the Bay of Colwyn. These grants helped cover core costs such as heating, staffing, and delivery of specialist services—ensuring continuity for people most in need.

Benefit Advice Shop

Provided ongoing expert support for people navigating the benefits system, ensuring access to financial assistance and reducing hardship.

Citizen's Advice

Continued delivery of free, confidential guidance on legal, housing, debt, and employment matters, offering a lifeline to residents in crisis.

Colwyn Bay Conservation & Environment Federation (CBCEF)

Delivered environmental awareness and community conservation activities, engaging local people in sustainability projects.

Cruse Bereavement

Supported the delivery of specialist bereavement counselling and peer-led grief support to individuals and families across the region.

Home-Start Conwy

Offered practical, emotional, and volunteer-led support to families facing challenges, helping to improve mental health, parenting confidence, and household stability.

Together, these organisations provide essential lifelines for residents of all ages and backgrounds. The funding ensured they could continue their work despite rising operational costs and increasing demand.





Small Grants Programme – Sustaining Essential Community Work Across the Bay of Colwyn

The Small Grants Programme provided essential funding to support grassroots organisations, helping them maintain core activities and cover vital costs such as heating, training, and community engagement. These contributions enabled a wide range of local groups to continue their invaluable work throughout the year:

Ysgol Pen y Bryn

Staff training and resources for the delivery of water safety sessions in partnership with River and Sea Sense.

Clwyd & Gwynedd Army Cadets

Support for three cadets from Colwyn Bay to attend commemorative events in Wormhout, France.

Merched y Wawr

Assistance with running costs to facilitate regular meetings and community gatherings.

Rhos on Sea Bowling Club

Funding for repairs to stanchions and the purchase of new jacks and equipment.

Conwy Mind

Delivered the Mental Elf 5K Fun Run at Eirias Park, raising awareness of mental health in a fun and accessible way.

Côr Alaw

Enabled participation in a community concert at St Paul's Church on 30th November.

NWAMI

Hosted a Pre-Christmas Multicultural Gathering, promoting inclusion and cross-cultural understanding.

Urdd Gobaith Cymru

Financial support towards participation in the Urdd Eisteddfod, fostering Welsh language and youth creativity.

Men's Shed

Contribution towards heating costs, ensuring the group could remain a warm, welcoming space over winter.

Min y Don Bowling Club

Assisted with winter preparation of the greens in readiness for the next season.

Porth Eirias Runners

Funded leadership qualifications through Welsh Athletics to expand running activities in the community.

Wintergreen

Supported the delivery of a veterans' art exhibition at Coed Pella, providing a creative outlet and recognition for ex-service personnel.

Wales Air Ambulance

A contribution towards helicopter upgrades as part of a nationwide appeal to community councils.

These grants have helped ensure that local groups could continue delivering their services at a time when financial pressures, including rising energy costs, threatened their operations.





Summary of Activities Undertaken

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People in Conwy value and look after the environment

- Supporting Colwyn in Bloom: Continued funding for the Colwyn in Bloom Committee, which champions the local environment and helps make Colwyn Bay an attractive place to live, visit, and do business.
- Promoting Local Pride: Backing Colwyn Bay's efforts to retain its title as 'Best Large Town in Wales' in the annual Wales in Bloom competition.
- Driving Biodiversity Action: Progressing actions in the adopted Biodiversity Action Plan, with progress reports every three years (next report due by the end of 2025).
- Responding to the Climate Crisis: Formal declaration of a Climate and Nature Emergency, with development of Climate and Biodiversity Action Plans outlining local actions to address this global challenge.
- Taking part in the national Beach of Dreams event, as the key partner in Wales, bringing a national exhibition of 840 silk pennants from communities all around the UK to our beach in May 2025, to launch conversations about local action to tackle the impacts of climate change on our local environment and nature.
- Enabling Community Clean-ups: Operating a free litter pick hub at the Town Hall, supplying equipment for local events.
- Investing in the Environment: Funding new street furniture and other environmental improvements through grants and ward member allowances.
- Encouraging Community Growing: Supporting volunteer-led projects like the 'Incredible Edibles' scheme, turning town centre planters into productive fruit, vegetable and herb beds.
- Creating Shared Green Spaces: Delivering the "Gardd Pawb" community garden in 2024, transforming an overgrown disused alleyway into a vibrant, inclusive space where local people can grow together, share skills, and connect with nature.
- Embedding Green Colwyn: Now that the Place Plan Manager is in post, the new 'Green Colwyn' working group is being embedded as a key part of delivering the environmental objectives of the Colwyn Place Plan



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People in Conwy live in a county which has a prosperous economy with culture at its heart

- Working in partnership with Conwy County Borough Council to explore ways to repurpose and revitalise the town centre.
- Supporting activities that bring tourists and day visitors into the area, including exhibitions, events, festive lighting and local marketing.
- Represented on the Colwyn Town Team, which brings partners together to support delivery of the Conwy Culture Strategy in Colwyn Bay.
- Providing summer baskets and planters and offering 'buy-one-get-one-free' hanging baskets for businesses to help ensure town and village centres remain attractive and welcoming.
- Forming new partnerships through the Business, Retail and Learning and Culture, Heritage and Tourism Place Plan working groups—bringing people together to guide action and shape the area's future.
- The appointment of a full-time Place Plan Manager has added value and momentum—building relationships with key stakeholders including CCBC, Transport for Wales, Cartrefi Conwy, Conwy Employment Hub, Conwy Mind, the Welsh Mountain Zoo, and local businesses to identify shared priorities and unlock new opportunities.
- Working closely with the Colwyn Bay Business Forum to strengthen the voice of local enterprise and support joined-up working.
- Facilitating the Colwyn Bay Conversation event which was developed in response to feedback from businesses and community stakeholders, and has helped spark fresh thinking by drawing in expert insight from professionals in placemaking, regeneration, and strategic development.
- Expert support has also been secured from Smart Towns Wales, bringing best practice on digital innovation and data-led planning into local regeneration conversations.
- Two major funding bids—submitted in March 2025 to the Gwynt y Môr and Rhyl Flats Community Fund—seeking to support priority Place Plan actions.



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People in Conwy are educated and skilled

- Appointment of community governors to each of the local primary schools.
- Supporting local organisations through grant funding to help people learn new skills, access training, and build confidence (see pages 13-15 for more details)
- Providing free meeting and training space at the Town Hall to support community learning and development.
- Working in partnership with Conwy CBC and others to increase access to local employment, training and volunteering opportunities.
- A Business, Retail and Learning Working Group is now in place as part of the Colwyn Place Plan, bringing together partners from the business, voluntary and public sectors to develop projects that contribute to local learning, enterprise and wellbeing.
- The Place Plan Manager is working with TAPE Community Music & Film to develop the Creative Agency concept—an innovative approach that will empower local people to co-design and deliver creative activities aligned with Place Plan priorities, while building skills, confidence and employment pathways.



People in Conwy have access to affordable, appropriate, good quality accommodation that enhances the quality of their lives

- Responding to consultations on land-use planning matters to reflect local priorities.
- Maintaining a well-informed and proactive Planning Committee that supports good quality development in suitable and sustainable locations.
- Supporting organisations tackling homelessness, housing insecurity and poverty.
- Offering free use of meeting rooms and/or funding for organisations delivering outreach advice on housing, finance and related issues.
- Adopting the Colwyn Place Plan and submitting it to the Local Planning Authority with a request for formal adoption as Supplementary Planning Guidance—giving our community a stronger voice in planning decisions.
- A Housing and Future Development Working Group, established as part of the Colwyn Place Plan, is now in place and focusing on key priorities identified by the community, including the need for more affordable housing.
- The Place Plan Manager is building strong relationships with Registered Social Landlords to ensure they are aware of the Place Plan as a document that reflects the views and aspirations of the local community.





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People in Conwy are safe and feel safe

- Contributing towards the maintenance costs of CCTV cameras across the area.
- Working closely with the neighbourhood policing team and the Police and Youth Liaison Group to address local concerns, build trust, and support positive relationships between young people and the police.
- Supporting the local community through everyday financial pressures, e.g. via grant funding to organisations such as Conwy Citizens Advice Bureau and the Benefits Advice Shop, and to local groups such as Home Start Conwy and the Kind Bay Initiative.
- Piloted a new site on the Promenade for the annual Fireworks event to help improve accessibility and safety for families on Bonfire Night. This followed the cancellation of the 2023 event in Eirias Park, due to waterlogged ground.



People in Conwy are healthy

- Facilitating meetings of the local Wellbeing Network, bringing people and organisations together to share knowledge and improve access to support.
- Maintaining online calendars for local events and social activities to help residents stay active, connected and informed.
- Supporting a wide range of local groups offering social, recreational and wellbeing activities through grant funding and other assistance (see pages 13-15 for more info)
- Providing funding for youth activities and procuring open-access summer play schemes for local children.
- Investing in new and replacement play equipment and supporting the care of parks, gardens, woodlands and the waterfront.
- Supporting initiatives that promote physical and mental health, reduce loneliness and improve overall wellbeing.
- Securing funding for accessible beach matting to provide a safe route across the sand and help more people enjoy Colwyn Bay Beach.
- Launching a new 'Community Wellbeing' grant fund to support new and expanded activities that benefit local residents.





With the Bay of Colwyn Place Plan now firmly in place, and a dedicated Place Plan Manager already working alongside partners and the community, we are well-positioned to move from planning into delivery—translating local priorities into meaningful action across the area.

Over the coming year, the Town Council will continue to embed the Place Plan across all areas of work, ensuring it shapes decision-making and supports a shared vision for the future. A key milestone will be working with the Local Planning Authority to secure Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) status, giving the Plan real influence over development decisions that affect our community.

Through ongoing collaboration with the six Place Plan Working Groups, we'll support residents and partners to co-develop local projects and actions under the themes of:

-  Housing and Future Development
-  Culture, Heritage and Tourism
-  Facilities, Assets, Health & Wellbeing
-  Getting Around: A Connected Colwyn
-  Green Colwyn
-  Business, Retail and Skills

A major focus will be on implementing the approved Marketing Strategy and, subject to funding, launching a community-led Creative Agency, delivered in partnership with TAPE, to raise the Bay of Colwyn's profile and promote inclusive local storytelling and creativity.

We'll also continue to strengthen our internal capacity—building on the existing knowledge, skills and qualifications within the team to support long-term succession planning and ensure we are well equipped to meet future challenges.





Key priorities for 2025/26 include:

- Identifying and pursuing external funding opportunities, including Section 106 contributions, windfarm community funds, and the National Lottery, to help turn local ideas into funded action.
- Progressing the Climate and Nature Action Plan, with community-level activity to promote sustainability, biodiversity and environmental awareness.
- Building on the success of Beach of Dreams as a creative and accessible way to engage the public in conversations around the climate and nature emergency.
- Expanding the Eco Zone at PromXtra, showcasing local initiatives and encouraging climate-friendly behaviour through interactive and family-friendly experiences.
- Contributing to the review of the Conwy Local Development Plan, ensuring that local voices continue to shape the future of our places.
- Continuing to enhance the Council's digital platforms, ensuring our website and communications remain accessible, relevant and responsive to the community's needs.
- Supporting vibrant town and village centres, through events, markets, and repurposing of vacant spaces.
- Backing grassroots environmental action, such as community litter picks and sustainability projects.
- Building on the success of Gardd Pawb, with more community growing sessions, creative programming, and the development of a Friends of Gardd Pawb group to support its future as a vibrant shared space.
- With the Place Plan as our guide and the structures now in place to deliver it, we're excited to continue building a stronger, greener, more connected Bay of Colwyn—together with our residents, businesses and community partners.





The Town Council is split into six areas, known as wards, with each ward having its own elected representatives. These six wards form five electoral divisions (Llandrillo yn Rhos electoral division covers both Dinarth and Rhos wards), for which detailed maps and statistical information can be found via the Conwy CBC website at: <http://www.conwy.gov.uk/en/Council/Statistics-and-research/Profiles-and-summaries/Statistical-profiles-for-wards-electoral-divisions.aspx>

The following is a list, by the Ward, of the Members of the Town Council as of May 2025:

Rhos	Dinertth	Rhiw
Cllr Chris Brockley Cllr Hannah Fleet Cllr Jo Nuttall Cllr Greg Wynne Cllr Ann Jones	Cllr David Wilkins Cllr Phillip Ashe Cllr Lisa Wilkins	Cllr John Clayton Cllr Paul Hughes Cllr Debra Jones Cllr Ricki Owen Cllr Tina Lee
Glyn	Eirias	Colwyn
Cllr Christopher Hughes Cllr Abdul Khan Cllr Tom MacLean Vacancy	Cllr Neil Coverley Cllr Chris Bell Cllr Keena Roberts	Cllr David Carr Cllr Jason Higgins Cllr Sandra McAllister Cllr Stephen Price

Contact details for your elected members can be found on our website:
<http://www.colwyn-tc.gov.uk/town-council/councillors/>





Members' Attendance and Allowances

Attendance at Council meetings is only one measure of an active and effective local Councillor. Undertaking the role of a Town Councillor often involves being available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and many local Councillors are also of working age and must earn a living, alongside their representational duties. Member attendance statistics for 2024/25 can be found in APPENDIX B, page 27.

Members do not receive a salary, but are able to claim various allowances, including a work from home payment of £156 per annum, reimbursement for consumables of up to £52 per annum, a 'senior' payment for additional duties (e.g. Chairman of the Council or a Committee) and reimbursement of travel and care costs for attending approved duties. A record of the member allowances paid for each financial year is published annually, by September, on our website.



Annual Meeting May 2024



The Council has a small team of four office staff: a full-time Town Clerk, Tina Earley, and Place Plan Manager, Rachael Gill, part-time Assistant Clerks, Roz Dudley, and Pam Everley.

The Town Hall is usually open daily (Monday-Friday) from 9.00am to 4.30pm, however, we also welcome phone calls and will endeavour to respond to e-mails or Facebook messages in a prompt and courteous manner.

Please do get in touch if you have any comments, queries or concerns that you think may be of interest or relevance to the Town Council. We are always interested to hear the views of residents, local businesses and visitors to the area.



Tina Earley
Clerk



Roz Dudley
Assistant Clerk



Rachael Gill
Place Plan
Manager



Pam Everley
Assistant Clerk





How to get in touch

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Contact Us

For more information about the Town Council and updates on local news and events etc, please visit our website at
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(adjacent to St Paul's Church)



Appendix A

ANNUAL MEETING	19/05/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	27/05/2025
Full Council	09/06/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	17/06/2025
Policy & Finance Committee	25/06/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	08/07/2025
Full Council	21/07/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	05/08/2025
Policy & Finance Committee	13/08/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	02/09/2025
Full Council	08/09/2025
Policy & Finance Committee	24/09/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	30/09/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	21/10/2025
Full Council	27/10/2025
Policy & Finance Committee	12/11/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	18/11/2025
Full Council	08/12/2025
General Purpose & Planning Committee	16/12/2025
Policy & Finance Committee	07/01/2026 & 14/01/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	13/01/2026
Full Council	19/01/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	03/02/2026
Policy & Finance Committee	18/02/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	24/02/2026
Full Council	09/03/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	17/03/2026
Policy & Finance Committee	25/03/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	07/04/2026
Full Council	27/04/2026
General Purpose & Planning Committee	05/05/2026
Policy & Finance Committee	13/05/2026
ANNUAL MEETING	18/05/2026



Appendix B

COUNCILLOR'S ATTENDANCE RECORD 2024/25 for the period 03/06/24 to 14/05/2025



NAME OF COUNCILLOR	POSSIBLE ATTENDANCE**	ACTUAL ATTENDANCE	%	Additional (Sub) Committees Attended
Councillor Phillip Ashe	19	15	79%	4
Councillor Chris Bell	25	21	84%	0
Councillor Chris Brockley	25	22	88%	1
Councillor David Carr	19	14	74%	4
Councillor John Clayton	25	19	76%	4
Councillor Neil Coverley	19	6	32%	0
Councillor Hannah Fleet	19	19	100%	17
Councillor Jason Higgins	25	20	80%	3
Councillor Christopher Hughes	19	16	84%	7
Councillor Paul Hughes	25	22	88%	3
Councillor Ann Jones	25	21	84%	1
Councillor Debra Jones	19	0	0	5
Councillor Leanne Kennedy (up to 20/1)	18	3	17%	0
Councillor Abdul Khan	19	8	42%	3
Councillor Tina Lee (from 10.3.3025)	3	3	100%	0
Councillor Tom Maclean	25	22	88%	8
Councillor Colin Matthews (up to 8/4)	23	5	22%	1
Councillor Sandra McAllister	19	11	58%	0
Councillor Iain Mitchell (up to 13/11)	13	11	85%	0
Councillor Jo Nuttall (Deputy Mayor)	34	31	91%	7
Councillor Ricki Owen (Mayor)	34	27	79%	13
Councillor Stephen Price	19	11	58%	4
Councillor Sakeena Roberts (from 10.3.2025)	3	2	67%	0
Councillor David Wilkins	25	20	80%	2
Councillor Lisa Wilkins	19	18	95%	0
Councillor Greg Wynne	19	17	89%	0

* Mayor and Deputy Mayor are Ex-Officio members of both Committees

** includes Full Council & Standing Committee Meetings only (i.e. the General Purpose & Planning and Policy & Finance Committees)

Optimism

Prosperous



Pride

Inclusive

A confident, prosperous,
healthy and inclusive
community, full of pride
and optimism

Healthy

Confident

2024-25

