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News from Flintshire County Council

September 2013

Parade marks anniversary

A parade through the streets of Flint by the Royal Welsh in July,

accompanied by the Volunteer band of the Mercian Regiment, marked the fourth anniversary of granting the Freedom of the County to the Regiment of the Royal Welsh.

It also marked the signing of the Flintshire Armed Forces Community Covenant, (pictured below) a voluntary statement of mutual support between civilian and local Armed Forces communities. The development of the covenant will be a multi agency approach between the County Council, the Armed Forces in Flintshire, representatives from the charitable and voluntary sectors, the public sector, business community, further and higher education establishments.



Council Chairman Carolyn Thomas inspecting the troops.

Putting local people first

Everyone knows these are very difficult times, but Flintshire County Council is maintaining a clear focus on its biggest priorities.

We are continually striving to protect and improve our services against a backdrop of severe financial challenges caused by cuts to Government funding. Your local County Council is the form of government closest to people's lives and provides many services day to day - over 700 in total. Some we are obliged to provide to protect our communities, such as environmental health; others we choose to provide to benefit our communities, such as support for businesses and leisure facilities.

Our key priorities for 2013 are outlined in the recently approved Council Improvement Plan and are featured inside this edition.

This year's Plan has been given an exciting, new and fresh format. It has been produced as a web based document, with full details of the Council's eight new priorities and sub priorities. Its format allows easy navigation to specific content online, which also means that information can be easily updated to ensure that it remains the most current.

The eight headline priorities are: Environment, Housing, Living Well, Poverty, Economy and Enterprise, Skills and Learning, Safe Communities and A Modern and Efficient Council.

Within these priorities, we have identified key actions that the Council needs to deliver upon during 2013/14. One action within our Housing priorities is

to agree a revised business plan with Welsh Government to meet the Wales Housing Quality Standard by 2020, a key Welsh Government policy objective for improving social housing across Wales, and I am pleased to report that already the Council has delivered on this action. At a recent Cabinet meeting the Council confirmed that it can achieve the Wales Quality Housing Standard (WHQS) by 2020.

In early 2012, 88% of the 71% of local tenants who voted in a ballot opted to stay with the Council, rather than transfer to a registered social landlord. The Choices Document on which tenants voted showed that the Council, at that time, could not plan to meet the WHQS in full until the mid 2030s.

Following considerable work on its business plan, significant investment in the housing stock, vastly improved performance in repairs and maintenance, and creative solutions to its most challenging housing, such as the Flint maisonettes, the Council can now achieve the WHQS within this reduced timescale.

Flintshire is proud to make this announcement and that we can pay back our tenants for their faith and loyalty and means that we will meet the WHQS fourteen years earlier than was previously anticipated.

The Cabinet will continue working with all our partners to improve Flintshire as a whole.

The Council is always looking for innovative ways to develop services and deliver excellent value for money.

And even when we are making some very tough decisions about how to spend a reduced budget, we recognise the clear need to invest in long-term prosperity for local people and local business.

We are moving forward with confidence and strong leadership - and always putting local people first.

Councillor Aaron Shotton, Leader, Flintshire County Council

Connecting with our customers

Three more Flintshire Connects Centres will open in Flint, Connah's Quay and Buckley over the coming months.

Modern facilities are provided under one roof in accessible town centre locations where customers can speak to officers from the Council, JobCentre Plus and North Wales Police about services.

Holywell Connects opened last Autumn and on average 336 enquiries are dealt with each week covering services such as housing, planning, benefits, environment, police and job search.

Plans are currently well advanced to develop the further three centres during the next 12 months. At Flint, the new centre will be located at County Offices, Chapel Street, which will see both North Wales Police and JobCentre Plus relocate to the new facility. Work will shortly get underway this Autumn, with the new centre opening to the public in February 2014.

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Minister tours pioneering complex



Minister for Housing and Regeneration Carl Sargeant visited Llys Jasmine, Flintshire's state-of-the-art extra care / dementia care development to see at first hand the benefits this new facility offers older people with care and support needs.

Llys Jasmine, a complex of 61 apartments and two extra care bungalows, has been developed by Wales & West Housing in partnership with Flintshire County Council, and it includes 15 purpose-built apartments for people with dementia.

The £9.86m complex, part funded by a £6.07m Social Housing Grant from the Welsh Government, is believed to be the first of its kind in Wales to include such purpose-built apartments for dementia sufferers.

Carl Sargeant said "I am sure that these state-of-the-art facilities will make a real difference to the lives of those who are lucky enough to make this their home. The construction work has provided much needed jobs and training opportunities for local people."

Due for completion in September 2013 the apartments are being made available for affordable rent to people aged 65 and over with care and support needs. Demand has been very high and WWH and FCC social care teams have been allocating apartments on the basis of need with Llys Jasmine's first residents due to move in within the next few weeks.

Councillor Helen Brown, Flintshire County Council's Cabinet Member for Housing said: "Extra Care schemes are enabling older people to have a new choice of housing and are making a real difference to people's lives."

Councillor Christine Jones, Cabinet Member for Social Services, said: "Extra Care schemes are such a wonderful way for our older residents to maintain their independence. We already have a successful scheme in Shotton and now we look forward to opening this latest scheme in Mold."

To find out more details about Llys Jasmine, including eligibility criteria and costs, call freephone 0800 052 2526. Or write to Extra Care Housing, Housing Options Team, Wales & West Housing, 3 Alexandra Gate, Tremorfa, Cardiff CF24 2UD, email contactus@wwha.co.uk, or visit our website at www.wwha.co.uk

Don't miss out on a school place for September 2014

The deadline for applying for a place at secondary schools for September 2014 is 25 October. Application forms have been given to Year 6 pupils to take home from schools. If you haven't received one, you may download a form on www.flintshire.gov.uk/SchoolAdmissions or telephone 01352 704068. Application forms for places in Reception for September 2014 will be sent out in early October, and the deadline for return is 29 November. Please make sure you return your completed forms by the deadlines.

First Minister officially opens Connah's Quay's new primary school

Connah's Quay's new £7.5 million school - Ysgol Cae'r Nant/Brookfield Primary School - has been officially opened by the First Minister of Wales, Carwyn Jones.

Pupils moved into their new school last September, which was built by Read Construction Holdings Ltd., of Brymbo to replace Custom House Lane Junior School and Dee Road Infants School. Flintshire County Council's Design Services were the architects for the scheme.

The new school has 12 classrooms, with 300 pupils and a 50 place nursery.

The school's environmentally friendly roof is a particular feature, and has been built using low maintenance sedum planting, which provides excellent cover and increased protection to the roof's waterproofing system.

The school's head teacher, Kate Fox-Parry, said: "We are so fortunate to have a wonderful 21st century school with modern up to date technology and resources. The building is awe inspiring! The staff and pupils are overjoyed with the new school and our new, colourful playground."

First Minister, Carwyn Jones, said: "We have contributed £4.5m to this project, which underlines our commitment to investing in schools



Caitlyn Lawton and Ollie Foster-Bennett pictured with the First Minister and Headteacher Kate Fox-Parry

to provide the learning environments expected in the 21st century. This state-of-the-art building will provide an inspirational environment for teaching and learning."

Councillor Chris Bithell, Cabinet Member for Education at Flintshire County Council, said:

"Ysgol Cae'r Nant is a splendid new primary school facility, which is airy, roomy and bright. It has excellent furnishings and outdoor facilities, which are well planned and safe and secure. The children and staff were involved in the design of the building and the architects and builders reflected those needs and desires into the new construction."

Pupils take part in school ground-breaking ceremony

Work has started on building a brand new £6.4m primary school in Shotton.



The new state of the art school will replace the existing Taliesin Junior School and Shotton Infants School and is set to open in September 2014.

The school is funded jointly by Flintshire County Council and the Welsh Government.

Pupils from the schools (pictured) recently performed an official turf cutting ceremony which was also attended by councillors, officials and representatives of the company building the school, Read Construction Holdings Ltd., of Brymbo.

The new single storey school is being built on the existing Taliesin Junior School site and will accommodate 270 primary and 30 nursery pupils.

There will be nine classrooms and two resource rooms, a nursery, assembly hall, studio, kitchen and community facilities.

Outside there will be landscaped play and recreation areas.

Once the new school is built and occupied, the existing junior school will be demolished.

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Communications on 01352 702110 or e-mail communication@flintshire.gov.uk or write to the Chief Executive, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, CH7 6NB.

Civil Parking Enforcement countdown begins

Illegal and problem parking across Flintshire is due to be tackled by the County Council soon.

The Council will take over responsibility for the enforcement of on-street parking and waiting restrictions from North Wales Police on 1 October 2013. The Council is already responsible for managing Council car parks. From 1 October, its Civil Parking Enforcement team will also be able to issue a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) to any vehicle found parked in contravention of restrictions.

These changes will help make our towns and villages safer for all road users by ensuring that motorists do not park in places that prevent other members of the public from using our roads safely.

Councillor Bernie Attridge, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment, said:

"The new system aims to improve road safety, traffic flow and the environment, for the benefit of drivers, pedestrians, cyclists and people with disabilities, as well as the reliability of public transport.

"It intends to reduce the misuse of disabled parking bays and delays to emergency vehicles. We also hope it will help tackle problem parking around schools and residential areas."

The PCN will be £50 or £70 depending on the seriousness of the contravention. A discount of 50 per cent will apply if the penalty is paid within 14 days, reducing the charge to £25 or £35.

All revenue from on-street penalty charges has to be used by the Council to fund enforcement and administration of the scheme and any surplus will fund local parking, highway and transport improvements.

The police will continue to be responsible for



the enforcement of dangerous driving and all moving traffic offences and will continue to issue fixed penalty notices for vehicles creating an obstruction.

Sixteen councils across Wales have already taken on parking enforcement in their areas and the remainder will take on responsibility in the future.

Top tips to avoid a fine

- ◆ Don't park where yellow lines, waiting or loading restrictions are in force
- ◆ **ALWAYS** read the road signs, they tell you what restrictions apply
- ◆ Don't park on zigzag lines
- ◆ Only park in loading bays if you are loading / unloading goods
- ◆ Only park in bays reserved for disabled badge holders if you are entitled to do so
- ◆ Make sure you have parked in accordance with the regulations.

Information can be found on the Council's website at www.flintshire.gov.uk/parking

Council trainee reaped his rewards at RHS Tatton

When Lawrence Gotts started work as a Flintshire County Council Trainee, little did he think that he would be having his own garden design in July at the RHS Flower Show Tatton Park; but that is exactly how things turned out.

With some garden volunteering at Bodnant Garden under his belt, music graduate Lawrence joined the staff at the Greenfield Valley Museum and Heritage Park in September 2011 as a trainee horticulturist. Over the past eighteen months he has been working in the Valley at the same time as doing horticulture NVQs at Deeside College.

With support from his College Tutor and the Greenfield Valley staff, Lawrence was encouraged to complete his two year traineeship in style and create a garden to enter into the competition at Tatton Park. The design of the garden was based on the Victoria Mills site within the Heritage Park and included facades of original 18th century brick and a waterwheel reflecting the industrial history of the site. The planting scheme incorporated drought tolerant plants to attract bees, butterflies and other pollinators that are currently found on the Mill site, including the rare Dingy Skipper butterfly.

Flintshire County Council Leader, Cllr Aaron Shotton, said: "My congratulations go to Lawrence for his hard work and success. As a Council, supporting apprentices and encouraging young people into the workplace is a key priority, so it is particularly pleasing that one of our own trainees has done so well. In education as well as in gardening, we reap what we sow, so I hope Lawrence's future career blossoms!"

Chief Executive, Colin Everett added: "Lawrence's excellent work and the support that he has received from Deeside College, the Greenfield Valley Trust, together with Gardners Accountants and AGS Security Systems, is a prime example of what can be achieved through partnership working, even in challenging financial times."



Pictured at Greenfield Valley with his winning design is Lawrence Gotts.

New Chairman and Vice Chairman

Flintshire County Council has elected Councillor Carolyn Thomas as Chairman.

A member of the Council since 2008 she represents the Treuddyn ward. She is also a member of Treuddyn Community Council and Llanfynydd Community Council and lives in Pontybodkin.

Councillor Thomas is also the current Chairman of the Clwydian Range and Dee

Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. She is married to Martin who is her Consort and they have three children.

The Vice-Chairman is Councillor Glenys Diskin JP. Councillor Diskin was born in Shotton and has lived in Mancot for the past 30 years. She is married to Councillor Alan Diskin and has a son

and a daughter.

Cllr Diskin has run the Mancot Post Office for the past 27 years and has been a Labour councillor for over 25 years. She is Vice Chair of the North Wales Police and Crime Panel and has also been a Justice of the Peace for 20 years.



Pictured from left to right are Councillor Diskin and Councillor Thomas.

Like us on Facebook

Flintshire's Trading Standards service is now on Facebook and is inviting Flintshire residents to 'like' its page.



The page is regularly updated with information about safety, safety alerts, consumer advice, rogue trader alerts, counterfeiting alerts and scams.

There is also a link to our web site www.flintshire.gov.uk/tradingstandards with its assortment of consumer and business advice leaflets.

To find us on Facebook, please log on to Facebook, and type 'Flintshire Trading Standards' into the search engine and we should appear. You will be able to identify our page, as we have our no cold calling logo as our profile picture.

Once you have clicked on our page just like us!

Street lighting scheme is underway

Many of the Council's street lighting columns are being replaced over the next three years, thanks to a £1.4m Welsh Government funded scheme.

The Council has been awarded the funding to upgrade its concrete street lighting columns that are older than their 30 year life expectancy. Work to replace lighting units with energy efficient ones is being carried out at the same time. Improvement in the lighting and illumination is also expected to help reduce the fear of crime.

The Council's street lighting service has made a commitment to reduce its carbon footprint through a range of measures, which includes installing energy saving equipment and low energy lighting units for all replacements.

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Operation Clean Up continues

Flintshire County Council's Operation Clean Up is continuing across the county.

It carries on the good work of Operation Pooper Snooper, which targeted irresponsible dog owners and now includes littering, fly tipping and graffiti.

There is a zero tolerance approach to these crimes and Council enforcement staff are continuing their patrols, spending a week at a time in different Flintshire towns and villages.

Those culprits caught are being issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £75.

Enforcement officers are working in all the major towns and also the majority of rural areas and will be stepping up patrols to reduce these environmental crimes.

People can report incidents of dog fouling, littering, fly tipping and graffiti by contacting 01352 701234 or via email: dogfouling@flintshire.gov.uk; please quote times, places and names if possible.

Food Hygiene Ratings

This year will see major developments in food law in Wales with the introduction of the mandatory display of Food Hygiene Ratings at food premises from November 2013.



Flintshire County Council has been running the scheme since December 2010 with businesses given a rating at the time of their unannounced food hygiene inspection. The business is rated on how hygienically food is handled, the condition and cleanliness of the premises and how food safety is documented and managed.

There are six different ratings, 0 is at the bottom which means urgent improvement is required and the highest rating of 5 which means standards are very good.

Ratings are displayed on the Food Hygiene website at www.food.gov.uk/ratings. From November it will also become mandatory for any food business with a rating to display a sticker at its premises. Any business not displaying its sticker could receive a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Tackling anti social behaviour

Tackling anti social behaviour is a priority for the County Council and the other public and voluntary agencies it works with to improve community safety.

When incidents are reported, solutions may include issuing equipment like personal alarms, window alarms or better door and window locks for repeat and vulnerable victims. Diversionary and preventative tactics can be put in place for problem locations and enforcement action taken or referral to support services made where necessary for offenders with drug and alcohol or mental health issues.

Flintshire's Neighbourhood Wardens also

provide a highly visible, accessible, uniformed, presence across the county and patrol of hotspot anti social behaviour areas on foot and by vehicle.

Non emergency incidents of Anti Social Behaviour should be reported directly to North Wales Police on 101. Or 999 in an emergency.

Flintshire's Neighbourhood Warden Service can be contacted directly on 01352 701818.

Flintshire's Community Safety Team can be contacted directly on 01352 702590.

Dates for your diary:

Artists across Flintshire will be opening their studios to the public each weekend in September as part of the **North Wales Helfa Gelf project** - www.helfagelf.co.uk

On Sunday 27 October Gronant and Talacre will host an inspirational 'Festival of Light' including an impressive sculptural lantern parade and beautiful projections off some of the local buildings, including the

lighthouse.

A series of Saturday morning art workshops are planned between September and May for children aged 7 to 11 at Holywell and Broughton libraries as part of the **Criw Celf Bach project**.

Contact **01352 704408** for more information.

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The current Flint reception area will be temporarily out of use while building work is underway with temporary premises in the shop next door used from the middle of September.



There will also be changes to cash payment arrangements in Flint while the work is underway. From mid September 2013 to February 2014, customers wanting to make payments over the counter will need to use Flint Post Office, which is conveniently located near the existing cash office in Chapel Street. Customers just need to take their existing bar coded bill or rent statement when making payment.

Also in the interim period, scheduled appointments in Flint with the Housing Options Team will be held in the Flintshire Connects Centre at Holywell.

At Connah's Quay, the new centre will be integrated with the existing library and will also facilitate the development of a new Heritage Exhibition Centre, displaying artefacts of local, historical interest to the local area. It is proposed that the library will relocate to Civic Offices while the work takes place, with the new centre opening in April 2014. Detailed proposals are also being developed for a Flintshire Connects Centre at Buckley. It is planned that the new Centre will open to the public in early Summer 2014.

Making your benefits claim on-line

Benefit forms can be quite long and complicated, so we have used new technology to make our on-line application as easy as possible.

What are the benefits of claiming on-line?

- You can fill in the whole form off-line. It doesn't matter if there are any problems with the internet, you can carry on with the form regardless. You don't even have to fill it in all in one go. You can save the form on your computer, and come back to it later.
- The form will help and guide you as you work through it. This makes the form much simpler to complete.
- The form checks itself for errors and highlights anything you have missed.
- When completed, you can submit the form directly to us so we can begin processing your claim without delay.
- Where we need to see evidence from you to support your claim, the form will give you a customised list of exactly what's needed.
- To protect your privacy, all information you enter on the form is encrypted.

Make your claim on-line today by visiting www.flintshire.gov.uk/benefits

Not sure if you qualify?
Why not use the on line benefits calculator for an instant benefits estimate.



North Wales Armed Forces Day

Flintshire County Council Leader Aaron Shotton and Chairman, Councillor Carolyn Thomas, were joined by Air Commodore Adrian Williams, Air Officer for Wales, Harry Featherstonhaugh, Lord Lieutenant of Clwyd and representatives of local army, marine and sea cadets for the raising of the Armed Forces Day Flag at County Hall. The ceremony also featured a fly-past by an RAF Hawk aircraft.

It marked the start of the week in June leading up to the North Wales Armed Forces Day, attended by hundreds of people at Deeside College, Connah's Quay.

The day's festivities included performances from Northop Silver Band and the Army Cadet Force Corps of Drums. A 'March for a Muster' and Drumhead Service was led by the Band of the RAF College.

Entertainment included performances by Côr y Pentan and Buckley Cheerleading Club. Other attractions included a display of military vehicles, a military village, a field gun display, a Deeside College catering demonstration, Veterans' stories, the 'Play

Memories' campaign and Flintshire Records Office. The day concluded with the Beating of the Retreat by the Army Cadet Force Corps of Drums.

Cllr. Aaron Shotton, Leader of Flintshire County Council said, "I am delighted that so many people attended the event which was an opportunity to voice our support for the men and women of the Armed Forces. That support was reaffirmed in Flint on 27 July when the County Council and its partners formally signed the Armed Forces Community Covenant as part of the celebrations to mark the fourth anniversary of granting the Freedom of the County to the Regiment of the Royal Welsh.



"North Wales Armed Forces Day was a wonderful opportunity for the public to meet service men and women and I would like to thank everyone involved in bringing together such a fantastic range of activities and entertainment and Deeside College for their support and making their excellent campus facilities available."



Flintshire Business Week | Wythnos Fusnes Sir y Fflint



This year's Flintshire Business Week - the Council's flagship business event - takes place between 15 and 25 October.

Now in its seventh year, headline sponsors this year are:



FBW is now the most important event of its kind in the region, attracting around 2,000 businesses every year. It supports the business community in the county and, increasingly, the wider region, to promote their companies, to develop trading opportunities and to raise the profile of the area as a place to invest.

The programme for the week has been developed with the needs of local business in mind and the emphasis will be on assisting businesses to grow and succeed in these challenging economic times.

Highlights this year will include a Business to Business Exhibition at Deeside Leisure Centre on Tuesday 15 October, our traditional Westminster event on Monday 21 October and the popular

awards evening at Soughton Hall on Friday 25 October.

Cllr Aaron Shotton, Leader of Flintshire County Council, said, "Flintshire Business Week helps our local businesses and puts our area on the map. It is a unique and very successful partnership between the public and private sectors. On behalf of the Council, I want to thank sincerely all of our sponsors and partners who work so hard with the Council's Business Development team to make this event possible."

For further details about all the events taking place during Business Week go to www.flintshirebusinessweek.co.uk or contact the Business Week team on 01352 703219.

Mold Food and Drink Festival 2013

Mold's renowned Food and Drink Festival - a 'must visit' on the calendar of foodies everywhere - is on the weekend of 21 and 22 September, at the town's New Street Car Park.

Now in its eighth year, this highly successful food festival is one of the best in Wales and even in the UK. Last year, the festival attracted almost 15,000 visitors.

This year there will be over 100 food and drink exhibitors, fun foodie activities and workshops, a beekeeping exhibition and honey show, and a

packed programme of live bands performing in the open air courtyard.

As always, high profile chefs will be giving cookery demonstrations - including popular celebrity chef, Rosemary Shrager, on Sunday 22 September.

Throughout the weekend a free Park and Ride service will operate between County Hall/Ciwyd Theatr Cymru and Mold town centre.

Further information about the festival can be found at www.moldfoodfestival.co.uk



Tour of Britain

Flintshire cycling fans will get the chance to cheer on many of their heroes as the Tour of Britain, featuring many of the world's top cyclists, passes through Flintshire on 18 September.

On its way to Llanberis from Stoke-on-Trent, Stage 4 of the Tour will enter Flintshire at Cefn-y-Bedd, go through Caergwle, Pontblyddyn, along the Mold by-pass, through Gwernymynydd and into Denbighshire at Cadole.

For full details about the Tour of Britain 2013 visit the website: <http://thetour.co.uk>



Improvement Plan Feedback Form

Please see the full plan on our web site to help you complete the following feedback form.

Each bold statement should be scored using a scale 1 to 5, 1 being Strongly Disagree and 5 being Strongly Agree.

1. The right priorities for the year have been selected. Score =

If scoring 3 or below, what do you feel should have been the priorities?

2. The reason for each priority is explained and justifies the selection well. Score =

If scoring 3 or below, how do you feel reasoning could be improved?

3. The plan is informative. Score =

If scoring 3 or below, what additional information would be useful?

4. The plan is easy to read. Score =

If scoring 3 or below, how do you feel the ease of reading could be improved?

5. The plan shows clearly how achievements will be measured. Score =

If scoring 3 or below, how might the measurement of achievement be better shown?

Further comments about the plan or suggestions for its improvement

Would you be happy for us to contact you to discuss in more detail your comments / suggestions? Please tick Yes No

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Flintshire County Council's new style Improvement Plan

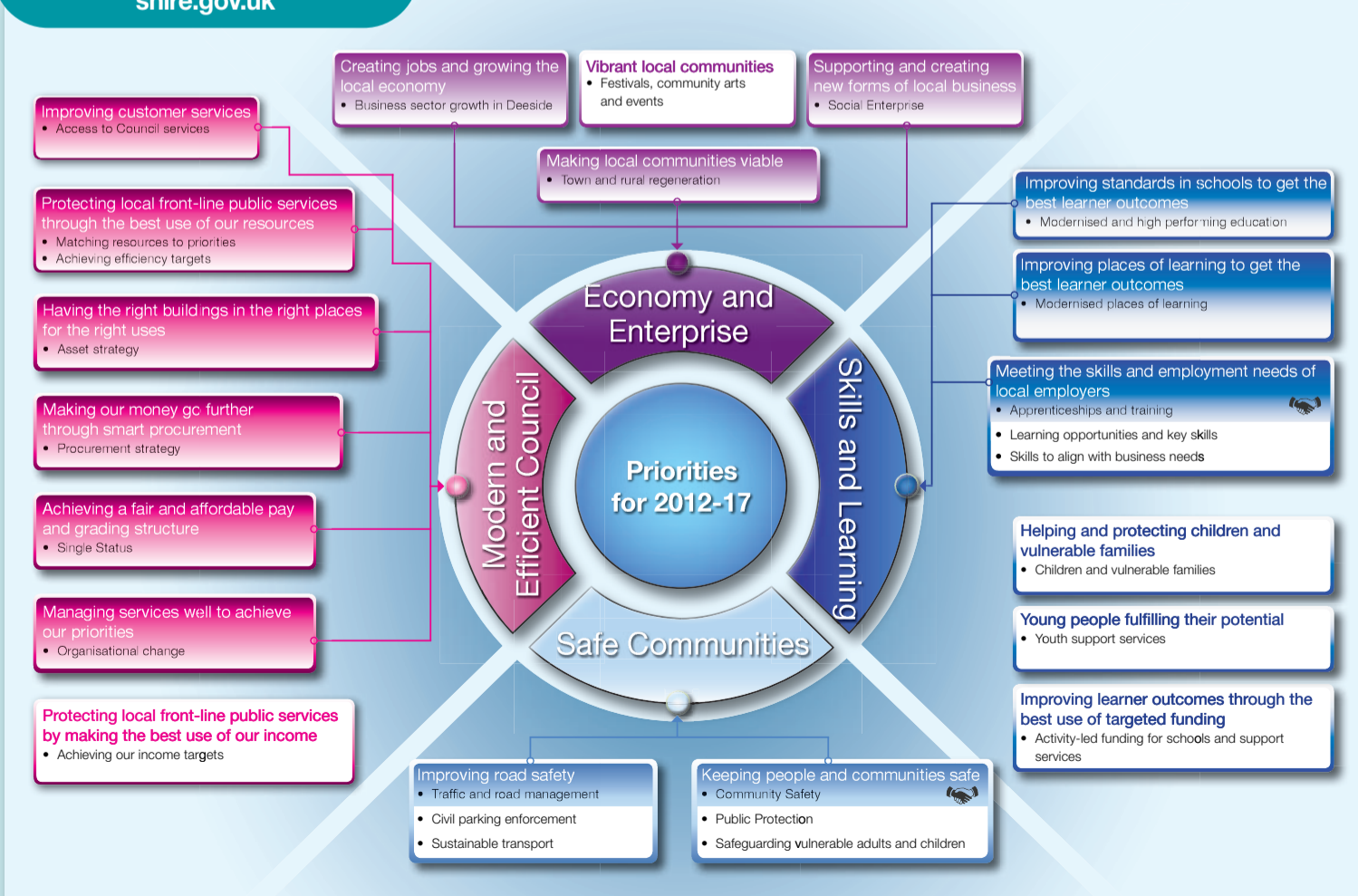
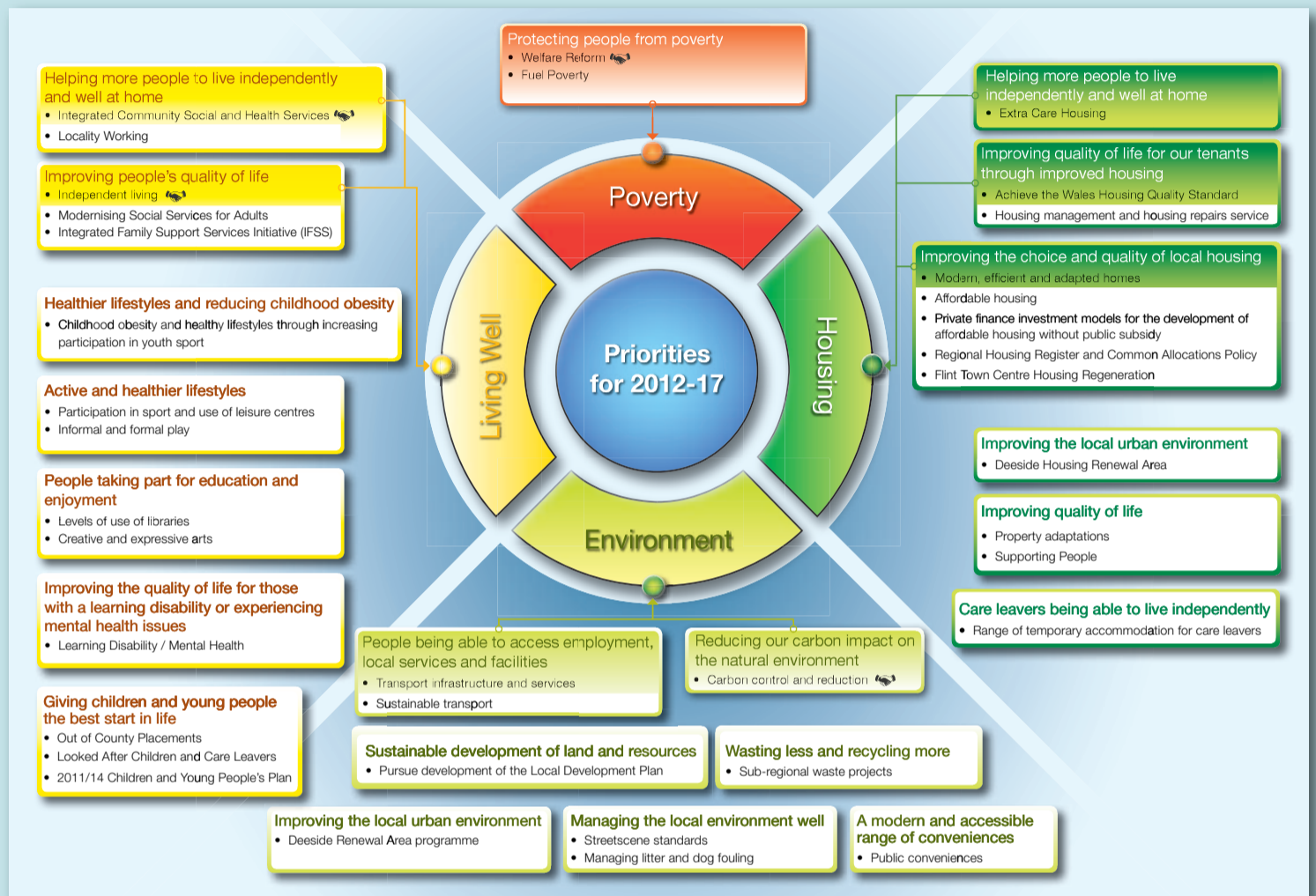
This Improvement Plan sets out our priorities for the 2013 -14 Council year and what we aim to achieve.

Flintshire is a well-governed and progressive Council. We are performing well as a direct provider and commissioner of public services, and as a partner to others. Our recent track record in key services such as education, social care, housing, planning and Streetscene shows that we do deliver on what we say we will do.

The Improvement Priorities for the Council have been reviewed and republished. The Priorities have been streamlined and reset; we are clearer on the impacts we want to make and how we will go about achieving them.

See the full Plan on our website: www.flintshire.gov.uk/ImprovementPlan2013-14

Please contact us on 01352 702744 or email policyandperformanceteam@flintshire.gov.uk



The Plan sets out the full list of the Council's eight priorities for the period 2012- 2017 and on individual pages the detailed sub-priorities for significant action during 2013-14. On this page, you will see two pages from the Plan which show two circles around which are our eight priorities. The sub priorities are listed and those which are coloured are the sub priorities where we will make a bigger impact this year. All of our priorities remain important but in any one year a number of them will stand out for special attention. In addition, sub priorities shown with a hand icon are also County priorities which we share with our partners such as the police, health, fire and rescue and further education.

Your feedback on the Plan itself, on what we aim to achieve and our priorities for the future would be very welcome, please complete the feedback form opposite.

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