

## DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET

**DATE OF DECISION** 24 February 2021

**DATE DECISION PUBLISHED** 25 February 2021

**DATE DECISION WILL COME INTO FORCE** and implemented,  
unless the decision is called in, in accordance with section 7.25 of  
the Gwynedd Council Constitution **4 March 2021**

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Cabinet Member: Councillor Craig ab Iago, Cabinet Member for Housing

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**SUBJECT:**

Purchase of 35, College Road, Bangor in order to address homelessness needs.

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**DECISION**

To purchase 35 College Road, Bangor, in accordance with terms and conditions to be determined by the Head of Housing and Property Department.

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**REASON WHY THE DECISION IS NEEDED**

Please see attached Officer report

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**DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND ANY RELEVANT DISPENSATIONS  
APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL'S STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

None

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**ANY CONSULTATIONS UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO MAKING THE DECISION**

Consultation with  
Gwynedd Council Statutory Officers  
The Local Member

The results of the consultations are reported upon in the attached report

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## DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL'S CABINET – OFFICER'S REPORT

Name and Title of Cabinet Member:	Councillor Craig ab Iago
Name and title of the Report's Author:	Lowri Cadwaladr Roberts Estates Manager
Date of Decision:	24.02.2021
Cabinet Member's Signature:	

**Subject: Purchase of 35, College Road, Bangor in order to address homelessness needs**

### **Recommendation for the Decision:**

To purchase 35 College Road, Bangor, in accordance with terms and conditions to be determined by the Head of Housing and Property Department.

### **The reason for the need for a Decision:**

The Housing and Property Department has identified the need to acquire residential units in order to address Homelessness needs within the county, with a specific need identified in Bangor.

### **Rationale and justification for reaching the Decision:**

35 College Road has been identified as a suitable property to be adapted to provide four residential units.

A bid was made for grant funding from the Government's Homelessness Phase 2 fund for this scheme, and the bid was successful. Therefore, grant funding will fund all costs associated with the purchase of the property, as well as the costs of adapting the property, which is already divided into independent flats.

Once in use, the property will provide supported residential units to address homeless clients' needs, and the rent income will be adequate to address maintenance costs as well as any running costs associated with the building.

The Cabinet Member for Housing and Property is required to approve the purchase in accordance with the Council's constitution dated May 2015.

There is no intention to pay in excess of the market value for the property.

**Record of any personal interest by any Cabinet Member consulted and any dispensations approved by the Standards Committee:**

None.

**Any consultations held before making the Decision:**

**Chief Finance Officer** – I can confirm that funding is in place for the purchase of 35 College Road, Bangor as one of the projects that will be funded from Welsh Government's Part 2 Homelessness Grant. I have no objections to the purchase from the perspective of financial propriety.

**Monitoring Officer** – No further comments in terms of Propriety.

**Local Members:**

**Councillor Mair Rowlands** - I am supportive of the scheme that will meet the needs of homelessness in Bangor. It is vital that there is support and management as part of the provision, and as the numbers of units are relatively low, and that management and support will not be provided as part of the scheme, I do not anticipate that it will have a negative impact on the amenities of the area.

**Councillor Catrin Wager** - I support the principle, provided the risk management/assessment arrangements and so on are sufficiently robust.