

# DECISION NOTICE OF AN INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF GWYNEDD COUNCIL CABINET

**DATE OF DECISION 10 March 2025**

**DATE DECISION PUBLISHED 10 March 2025**

**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 **17 March 2025**

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## CABINET MEMBER NAME AND TITLE

Councillor Paul Rowlinson  
Housing and Property Cabinet Member

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**SUBJECT – Purchase of 91 Farrar Road, Bangor**

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## DECISION

To purchase the property known as 91 Farrar Road, Bangor to meet the Children's Department's needs for care home provision for young people on 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 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(s):	Cllr. Paul Rowlinson
Name and designation of the Report's Author:	Efan Thomas MRICS Senior Estates Surveyor
Date of Decision:	10/03/2025
Cabinet Member(s)'s Signature:	

**Subject:**

Purchase of 91 Farrar Road, Bangor.

**Recommendation for the Decision:**

To purchase the property known as 91 Farrar Road, Bangor to meet the Children's Department's needs for care home provision for young people on terms and conditions to be determined by the Head of Housing and Property Department.

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

To enable the Children's Department to realise the provision of small homes in accordance with the Council's priority. The Housing and Property Cabinet Member is required to approve the purchase in accordance with the Council's Constitution dated May 2015.

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

The Department of Children and Family Support has a programme for children in care including the Small Group Homes project. Although this purchase is not directly part of that project there is a need to look at provision for young care leavers. The department's commissioning strategy includes prioritising the development of greater accommodation options for young care leavers. These young people will be individuals who are reaching adulthood, therefore leaving full-time care of the Children and Family Support Service, or are young individuals who have arrived in the country without any help and support.

This development is part of a strategy to develop a local choice of residential settings for the children and young people of Gwynedd and coincides with the Welsh Government's commitment to eliminate private profits in the provision of homes for looked after children.

91 Farrar Road, Bangor, has been identified as a suitable property for conversion into a small home taking into account factors such as its location, size and layout.

As an interim arrangement, the purchase will be funded from the Children's Department's capital programme, and confirmation has been received from the Welsh Government that the costs of the purchase will be reimbursed from the Tai Gyda Gofal fund. A commitment has also been received from the Welsh Government to meet the adaptation costs from that fund.

There is no intention to pay more than 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 undertaken prior to making the Decision:**

None.

**Chief Finance Officer – Dewi Morgan** – *“I am satisfied a funding source is in place for this purchase. I therefore have no objection to the decision sought.”*

**Monitoring Officer – Iwan Evans** – *“Noting that there are arrangements in place to fund the purchase no observations to add in relation to propriety”*

**Local Member/s –**

**Councillor Huw Wyn Jones -**

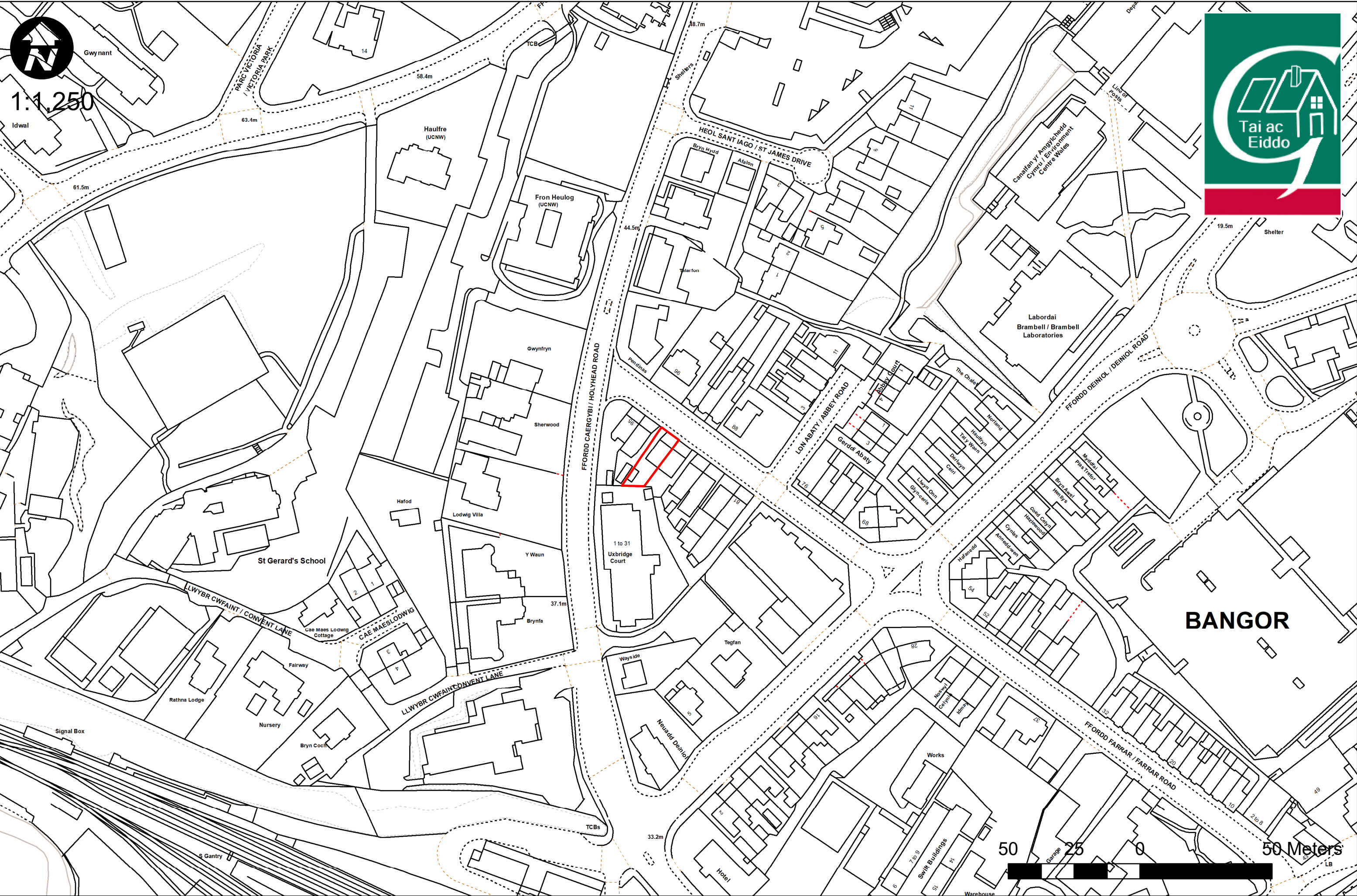
*“One hundred percent supportive of the project.”*

**Councillor Richard Medwyn Hughes -**

*“I agree.”*



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# 91 Farrar Road, Bangor