

Proposed Extension of the Wi-Fi Scheme to included Sandbank Road in Towyn

- At the Full Town Council meeting on 22/4/2025, the members resolved that the Clerk writes to CCBC to request a quote to extend the existing Free CCBC Wi-Fi Scheme to include Sandbank Road in Towyn.
- Cllr Nigel has also contacted CCBC to request that they also quote to extend the existing scheme to include St Asaph Avenue in Kinmel Bay.
- CCBC have provided the following estimated costs:-
 - a) Sandbank Road, Towyn (Glan Morfa to Knightley's Bar), estimated cost **£13,640.36.**
 - b) St Asaph Avenue, Kinmel Bay – (Bronwen Avenue to the entrance of the beach car park), estimated cost **£7,846.46.**
 - **Total Estimated Cost £21,487.62**
- CCBC have advised that they can't presently confirm if any grant funding will be available for these proposed schemes.
- If a grant is available, I estimate that the TKBTC match funding for both schemes, would be approx. **£5372** (working on a 25% match funding).

Considerations

CCBC have advised that the present street lighting on Sandbank Road is not suitable for Wi-Fi equipment, and therefore the existing street lighting will need to be replaced, before any proposed scheme can go ahead.

Possible Options :

- 1 / Members agree to cover the full cost of the proposed scheme/schemes, the total cost of both schemes is estimated at **£21,487.62.**
- 2/ Members agree to match fund up to 25% of the proposed schemes (**Estimated cost £5372**), subject to CCBC securing grant funding for the remaining 75%, and subject to CCBC replacing the existing street lighting on Sandbank Road (The cost of the replacement street lighting would need to be covered by Conwy CBC Street Lighting).
- 3/ Members agree to match fund up to 25% of one of the proposed schemes - (Sandbank Road – Estimated match funding contribution - **£3410** or St Asaph Avenue - Estimated match funding contribution - **£1962**).
- 4/ Members resolve to wait until we have received further/more meaningful data for the existing Wi-Fi scheme, following which a decision will be made whether to fund one, or both of the proposed schemes.
- 5/ Members resolve not to extend any CCBC Wi-Fi Schemes.