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To: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

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Dear Sir / Madam

A meeting of the **FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, MOLD CH7 6NA** on **TUESDAY, 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2012** at **2.00 PM** to consider the following items.

\*\*Members are requested to note that there will be a display on the Pride of Flintshire Awards in the foyer outside the Council Chamber prior to the start of the meeting\*\*

Yours faithfully

Democracy & Governance Manager

### **AGENDA**

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interests from Members.

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4 **COUNCIL MINUTES** (Pages 1 - 12)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 July, 2012.

5 **CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

6 **PETITIONS**

7 **NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of Motion has been received from Councillors: C.A. Ellis, G.H. Bateman, M. Bateman, H. Brown, G. Hardcastle and L.A. Sharps:-

In view of the:-

- a) Proposals from Betsi Cadwaladr Health Board currently out for consultation on health care in North Wales.
- b) The impact on Flintshire residents of those proposals and in particular the proposed changes to arrangements at Glan Clwyd, Mold and Flint Hospitals, together with the repatriation of services into Wales from Countess of Chester and other hospitals in England.
- c) The increasing concerns about the proposals from Flintshire residents.

The signatories to this Notice of Motion encourage all Members to attend the special meeting of the Social & Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee at 11.00 am on the 19 September 2012 when it will be considering the consultation proposals.

8 **QUESTIONS**

To note the answers to any questions submitted in accordance with County Council Standing Order No. 9.4(A).

9 **PRIDE OF FLINTSHIRE AWARDS**

A presentation will be given by the Independent Reviewing Officer.

10 **CONSULTATION ON INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR WALES DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT** (Pages 13 - 20)

Report of the Democracy and Governance Manager enclosed.

11 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR WALES:  
COUNCIL SIZE POLICY CONSULTATION PAPER** (Pages 21 - 26)

At its meeting on the 17 July, 2012, County Council agreed to provide its response to the Consultation Paper, as outlined at the meeting and attached.

The Chair of the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales has circulated a *generic* response to all Local Authorities to advise on the current situation concerning the council size policy consultation paper. This response is attached for your information. In summary, concerns were expressed about the council size range described in the paper, the councillor: elector ratio and the desirability of Ministerial Directions. The Boundary Commission have indicated that these responses show that the methodology used to establish the number of councillors for each authority was not clearly defined in its reasoning and did not meet the needs of individual councils.

12 **APPOINTMENT OF TOWN & COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE** (Pages 27 - 36)

Report of the Monitoring Officer enclosed.

13 **ELECTED MEMBER SURVEY** (Pages 37 - 60)

Report of the Democracy and Governance Manager enclosed.

14 **MEMBER DEVELOPMENT CHAMPION** (Pages 61 - 64)

Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services enclosed.

15 **SCHOOL MODERNISATION UPDATE**

The Chief Executive and Director of Lifelong Learning will provide a verbal update at the meeting.