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Councillors: Glyn Banks, Haydn Bateman, Ian Dunbar, Alison Halford, Ian Roberts and Arnold Woolley

Co-opted Member:

Mr. Paul Williams

19 January 2016

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee which will be held at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 27th January, 2016 in the Clwyd Committee Room, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA to consider the following items

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2015 (copy enclosed).

4 PAYROLL FOLLOW UP (Pages 17 - 34)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To present to the Committee the results of a follow up review of the Payroll report 2014/15.

5 **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE** (Pages 35 - 76)

Report of Chief Executive enclosed.

Purpose: To review the Improvement Plan 2015/16 mid year strategic risks.

6 **CONSULTANTS** (Pages 77 - 118)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To present to the Committee the results of a review of consultancy.

7 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2015/16 MID YEAR REPORT, QUARTERLY UPDATE AND 2016/17 STRATEGY** (Pages 119 - 204)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To present the draft Treasury Management Strategy 2016/17 for review prior to the Committee recommending its approval to Cabinet. To provide Members with a quarterly update.

8 **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT** (Pages 205 - 234)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To agree the annual update of the Code of Corporate Governance. To agree the process for preparing the Annual Governance Statement for 2015/16.

9 **STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS 2014/15** (Pages 235 - 258)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To provide the Audit Committee with the Flintshire's response to the Wales Audit Office Audit of 2014/15 accounts.

10 **EXTERNAL REGULATORS AND INSPECTIONS REPORTS** (Pages 259 - 270)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To consider the annual reports issued by external regulators and inspectors.

11 **ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 271 - 276)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To inform the Committee of the actions resulting from points raised at previous Audit Committee meetings.

12 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 277 - 284)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To consider the Forward Work Programme for the Audit Committee.

13 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 285 - 318)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To present to the Committee an update on the progress of the Internal Audit Department.

Yours faithfully



Peter Evans
Democracy & Governance Manager