

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Flintshire County Council on Wednesday, 1 March 2017

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A2	Declarations of Interest	<p>Agenda item 11 'Trade Union (Wales) Bill' - a personal interest was declared by Councillors Bernie Attridge, Peter Curtis, Derek Butler, Mike Lowe, Mike Reece, Ian Roberts, Aaron Shotton and Ian Smith as members of various Trade Unions. The Chief Executive and Chief Officer (Governance) also declared a personal interest.</p> <p>Agenda item 15 'Pooling of Pensions Investments in Wales' - a personal interest was recorded for Councillors Chris Bithell, Paul Cunningham, Peter Curtis, Cindy Hinds, Nancy Matthews, Ian Roberts and Ian Smith.</p> <p>On agenda item 8 (iii) 'Notice of Motion' submitted by Councillor Helen Brown, Councillor Dennis Hutchinson declared a personal and prejudicial interest as the owner of a mini-coach operation providing school transport in the county.</p>
A3	Petitions	None were received.
A4	Public Question Time	None were received.
A5	Questions	None were received.
A6	Questions from Members on Committee Minutes	None were received.
A7	Notice of Motion	<p>(a) That the Notice of Motion on supporting the national 'Count Them In' campaign be supported;</p> <p>(b) That the amended Notice of Motion to call upon Cabinet to consider installing solar panels be supported; and</p> <p>(c) That the Notice of Motion on funding for designated school transport be supported.</p>
A8	Council Tax Setting for 2017-18	<p>(a) That the 2017-18 Council Tax be set as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report;</p> <p>(b) That the continuation of the policy of not providing a discount in the level of Council Tax charges for second homes and long-term empty homes be endorsed. Also where exceptions do not apply, to also charge from 2017-18 the Council Tax Premium rate of</p>

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		<p>50% above the standard rate of Council Tax for second homes and long-term empty dwellings; and</p> <p>(c) That approval be given for designated officers to issue legal proceedings and appear on behalf of the Council in the Magistrates' Court for unpaid taxes.</p>
A9	Regional Working and the White Paper 'Reforming Local Government: Resilient and Renewed'	<p>(a) That the Council shares a draft response to the White Paper with Group Leaders before making a formal response; and</p> <p>(b) That the Council notes the current arrangements for regional working in North Wales.</p>
A10	Trade Union (Wales) Bill	That the Council supports the Trade Union (Wales) Bill, on the recommendation of Cabinet and recognising established Council policy as set out in the Notice of Motion.
A11	Pay Policy Statement	That the annual Pay Policy Statement for 2017/18 be approved and adopted.
A12	Annual Review of Code of Corporate Governance	That the updated Code of Corporate Governance be endorsed for adoption as part of the Council's Constitution.
A13	Amendments to the Constitution	<p>(a) That, where any future changes are <u>solely to officer designations</u> arising out of restructuring, the Chief Officer (Governance) and the Democratic Services Manager be authorised to have those changes made to the Constitution; and</p> <p>(b) That Members be kept informed and updated about any future changes to officer designations arising out of restructuring.</p>
A14	Pooling of Pensions Investments in Wales	<p>(a) That the content of the draft Inter Authority Agreement attached at Appendix B to the report be noted and authority delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Chair of the Clwyd Pensions Committee and the Monitoring Officer to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agree any further minor amendments to the IAA; and • approve and sign the final version of the IAA.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (b) To establish a joint committee (hereinafter referred to as the Joint Governance Committee) on the basis of the terms of reference attached to the report within the proposed Constitution amendments; (c) That the exercise of certain functions be delegated to the Joint Governance Committee as detailed within the proposed Constitution amendments; (d) That the functions reserved to Council be noted, and all matters delegated to the Clwyd Pension Fund Committee apart from the termination or significant amendment of the Inter Authority Agreement; (e) That the appointment of the Chair of the Clwyd Pension Fund Committee to the Joint Governance Committee as the Flintshire County Council representative and the Vice-Chair of the Clwyd Pension Fund Committee as his/her nominated Deputy, be approved; (f) That delegation be provided to the nominated representative and his/her Deputy to act within the terms of reference of the Joint Governance Committee to enable the exercise of any delegated function; (g) That Carmarthenshire County Council (Dyfed Pension Fund) acts as the host authority with the responsibilities set out in the Inter Authority Agreement; and (h) That the amendments to the Constitution as set out in Appendix A to the report, be approved.