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To: All Members of the Council

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of Flintshire County Council which will be held at 2.30 pm on Tuesday, 10th December, 2019 in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA to consider the following items

A G E N D A

This agenda is subject to restrictions on content due to the Election Period which runs from 7th November to 13th December.

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

2 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19 November 2019.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

4 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

Purpose: To receive the communications as circulated.

5 **PETITIONS**

Purpose: This is an opportunity for Members of Council to submit petitions on behalf of people in their ward. Once received, petitions are passed to the appropriate Chief Officer for action and response.

6 **ARMED FORCES PRESENTATION**

Purpose: To celebrate recent achievements through our Armed Forces Covenant and the presentation of the Gold Award for the Employee Recognition Scheme from the Ministry of Defence.

PRINCIPAL ITEM OF BUSINESS

7 **COUNCIL FUND REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21** (Pages 13 - 26)

Report of Chief Executive and Corporate Finance Manager

Purpose: The report sets out the following for noting:

- (1) the latest local financial forecast for 2020/21, including cost pressures which have been reviewed and endorsed by Overview and Scrutiny Committees;
- (2) the work to date to develop and agree local solutions to meet the projected 'gap' in the budget requirement for 2020/21 within the forecast;
- (3) the arrangements for and expectations around the Welsh Government Budget and the Provisional Local Government Settlement which are due to be announced in tandem on 16 December;
- (4) the remaining local options to achieve a legally balanced budget for 2020/21 alongside the Settlement and
- (5) the timetable to complete budget closure by March

ORDINARY ITEMS OF BUSINESS

8 **OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19** (Pages 27 - 56)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance)

Purpose: To consider and approve the Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report for 2018/19.

9 **ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION STRATEGY AND FRAUD RESPONSE PLAN** (Pages 57 - 108)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance)

Purpose: To seek approval to the changes made within the Council's Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy and Fraud Response Plan.

10 **WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY** (Pages 109 - 144)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance)

Purpose: To seek approval to the changes made to the Council's Whistleblowing Policy.

11 **NOTICE OF MOTION** (Pages 145 - 146)

Purpose: This item is to receive any Notices of Motion.

During the pre-election period, it is necessary to restrict the subject of Notices of Motion. The attached Notice of Motion has been cleared as non-political and therefore acceptable by the Statutory Officers.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

12 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Purpose: This item is to receive any Public Questions.

13 **QUESTIONS**

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

Yours sincerely



Robert Robins
Democratic Services Manager

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