Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Audit Committee on Wednesday, 9 September 2020

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A1	Attendance and Apologies	Membership: Councillors: Chris Dolphin (Chairman). Janet Axworthy, Andy Dunbobbin, Patrick Heesom, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley Co-opted members: Sally Ellis and Allan Rainford Substitute: Councillor Joe Johnson (for Geoff Collett) In attendance: Councillor Glyn Banks (Cabinet Member for Finance), Billy Mullin (Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets), Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Governance), Corporate Finance Manager, Internal Audit Manager, Interim Finance Manager (Technical Accounting), Principal Accountant, Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator and Democratic Services Officer Gwilym Bury and Mike Whiteley of Audit Wales (formerly Wales Audit Office)
A2	Substitution	That Councillor Joe Johnson be permitted as a substitute for the meeting.
А3	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	As a Board Member of NEW Homes, Councillor Axworthy declared a personal interest on the Statement of Accounts 2019/20.
A4	Minutes	That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
A5	Statement of Accounts 2019/20	 (a) That the final version of the Statement of Accounts 2019/20 be approved, incorporating the updated position on emergency grant funding; (b) That the Audit Wales report 'Audit of the Financial Statements - Flintshire County Council' be noted; and (c) That the Letter of Representation be approved.
A6	Wales Audit Office (WAO) Audit Plan 2020	That the Wales Audit Office report be noted.
A7	Certification of Grants and Returns 2018/19	That the content of the Grant Claim Certification report for 2018/19 be noted.

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A8	External Regulation Assurance	That the Committee is assured over the Council's response to pieces of external regulation work.
A9	Public Sector Internal Audit Standards	 (a) That the report be noted; and (b) That the Committee formally thanks officers and Audit Wales colleagues for their extraordinary work over the emergency period.
A10	Internal Audit Strategic Plan	That the Flintshire Internal Audit Strategic Plan 2020-2023 be approved.
A11	Internal Audit Annual Report	That the report and Internal Audit annual opinion be noted.
A12	Quarterly Update on the Response to the Pandemic	That the Committee is assured by the arrangements in place for the emergency response and recovery phases.
A13	Action Tracking	That the report be supported by the Committee.
A14	Forward Work Programme	 (a) That the Forward Work Programme be accepted; and (b) That the Internal Audit Manager, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee, be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises.