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To:

Councillors: Janet Axworthy, Geoff Collett, Chris Dolphin, Andy Dunbobbin, Patrick Heesom, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley

Co-opted Members:

Sally Ellis and Allan Rainford

12 November 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING AUDIT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER, 2020 at 10.00 AM

* Please note that there will be a five minute briefing session on National Safeguarding Week (16-20 November) commencing at 9.55am immediately prior to the start of this meeting.

Yours faithfully

Robert Robins
Democratic Services Manager

Please note: Due to the current restrictions on travel and the requirement for physical distancing, this meeting will not be held at its usual location. This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members. The meeting will be recorded.

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact a member of the Democratic Services Team on 01352 702345.

AGENDA

1 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Purpose: To appoint a Chair for the Committee.

2 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

Purpose: To appoint a Vice-Chair for the Committee.

3 APOLOGIES

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

4 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)</u>

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

5 **MINUTES** (Pages 5 - 14)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on

9 September 2020.

6 EMERGENCY SITUATION BRIEFING (VERBAL)

Purpose: To update on the latest position and the risks and implications

for Flintshire and service and business continuity.

7 SCHOOL RESERVE BALANCES YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2020 (Pages 15 - 32)

Report of Chief Officer (Education and Youth) - Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education

Purpose: To report the level of school balances to Audit Committee and

to highlight the risks and internal processes associated with

schools in deficit.

8 ASSET DISPOSAL AND CAPITAL RECEIPTS GENERATED 2019/20 (Pages 33 - 40)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Assets) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets

Purpose: To inform Members of the 2019/20 asset disposals.

9 TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW 2020/21 AND QUARTER 2 UPDATE (Pages 41 - 66)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager -

Purpose: To present to Members the draft Treasury Management Mid-

Year Review 1st April - 30th September 2020 for comments

and recommendations for approval to Cabinet.

10 **RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK** (Pages 67 - 82)

Report of Chief Executive -

Purpose: To report progress on the implementation of the updated risk

management framework.

11 APPROACH TO THE 2020/21 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

(Pages 83 - 122)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) -

Purpose: To set out the process for Member involvement on the Annual

Governance Statement 2020/21.

12 **AUDIT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT** (Pages 123 - 162)

Report of Chair of Audit Committee -

Purpose: To report to Members details of the activities of the Audit

Committee during 2019/20.

13 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 163 - 212)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

Purpose: To present to the Committee an update on the progress of the

Internal Audit Department.

14 **AUDIT COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 213 - 218)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

Purpose: To inform the Committee of the actions resulting from points

raised at previous Audit Committee meetings.

15 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 219 - 226)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

Purpose: To consider the Forward Work Programme of the Internal Audit

Department.

NOTE: Annual Meeting with Internal and External Auditors

In accordance with the agreed procedure, members of the Audit Committee will meet with the Internal and External Auditors immediately following the meeting.