Appendix 4

Flintshire County Council
Key Stage 4 National Results in Wales: 2017
Background Summary

Welsh Government issue final comparative data for Key Stage 4 much later than for the earlier Key Stages. The report "Examination Results in Wales 2016/17" will be issued in December 2017. The following data is therefore provisional and not yet validated.

It has been acknowledged by Qualifications Wales and the Welsh Government that changes in the content, structure and assessment methodology of some GCSE examinations, including English, Welsh and Mathematics, which are being reported for the first time this year, have impacted on the overall results across Wales for 2017. These changes make it difficult to make meaningful comparisons to the results from 2016.

Key indicators of performance at GCSE and equivalent qualifications show the following *provisional* outcomes:

Indicator	Flintshire 2016 %	Wales 2016 %	Ranking 2016	Flintshire 2017 %
Core Subject Indicator	56.5	57.6	10	55.0
Level 2+ Indicator	61.5	60.3	10	56.1
Level 2 Threshold	82.6	84.0	16	67.2
Level 1 Threshold	95.3	95.3	13	93.8
Capped 9				265.3
5A*-A				14.1
English / Welsh First Language (not including Literature from 2017)	71.6	70.4		69.6
Mathematics (including numeracy from 2017)	69.5	66.6		62.3
Science	83.9	82.4		79.4

 Based on the provisional data at this stage, Flintshire's ranked position on the Level 2+ indicator has improved from 10th in 2016 to 8th in 2017.