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Part A – Items considered in public

3	Public Question Time	The Chair confirmed that no questions had been received.
4	Declarations of Interest	No declarations of interest were made.
5	Chair's Communications	A copy of the Chair's communication had been circulated to all Members before the meeting.
6	Petitions	No petitions were submitted.
7	Notice of Motion	The Chair confirmed that no Notices of Motion had been received.
8	Questions	<p>The following questions had been submitted by Councillor A. Woolley:-</p> <p>(i) At the TCC AGM in Wrexham on 20th June, 2012, the Deputy Leader made a formal public pledge that this local authority would work to deliver the “Living Wage” instead of the Statutory Minimum Wage for its lowest paid employees.</p> <p>In view of that pledge, made some 8 months ago, what steps have been taken so far to deliver it and when will that delivery occur?</p> <p>(ii) The Budget Projection figures set out in the 16th January, 2013 document entitled ‘Re: Budget 2013/14’ indicate, at Appendix 9 on page 63, a foreseen £35.088Million budget funding shortfall in 2017/18. That foreseen shortfall equates to 10.42% of indicated total expenditure. Given the need to defend and probably expand both educational and social services expenditure between now and then, which other budget headings does the present administration see the saving coming from and what overall level of staffing is projected for that stated year?</p>

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		A copy of the responses to the questions, provided by the Leader of the Council, was circulated to all Members before the start of the meeting. A copy of the response is attached at Appendix 1 of the minutes.
9	Questions from Members on Committee Minutes	The Chair confirmed that no Questions had been received.
10	Housing Revenue Account 2013/14 and Capital Programme 2013/14	<p>(a) That the proposed HRA budget for 2013/14, as set out in Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report, which incorporated the proposals for Service Improvements and Efficiencies, as shown in Appendix 2 of the Cabinet report, be approved;</p> <p>(b) That the level of rent charges for 2013/14, as set out in paragraphs 3.02 and 3.05 of the report be approved;</p> <p>(c) That the level of projected balances at 31st March, 2014 at 3.20% of total expenditure be approved; and</p> <p>(d) That the proposed HRA Capital Programme, as set out in Appendix 3 of the Cabinet report, be approved.</p>
11	Updating the Constitution	That the changes recommended by the Constitution Committee and those recommended by its Chairman and officers to the Council, Cabinet and Overview & Scrutiny procedure rules be approved.
12	Community Review	<p>(a) That the County Council noted the current position of the community review; and</p> <p>(b) That the County Council request the Welsh Government to give an assurance that the</p>

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		Local Government (Democracy) (Wales) Bill would only apply to reviews commenced after the Bill had been passed.
13	Review of Internal Member Fora	<p>(a) That the Planning Delegations Body be discontinued;</p> <p>(b) That Planning and Development Control Committee papers be made available to Members a week in advance of committee meetings;</p> <p>(c) That the Teachers Consultative Committee and Flintshire County Council Teachers' Consultative Committee be combined to cover all education staff not just teachers;</p> <p>(d) That the County Council recommend to Cabinet that the ICT Panel be reconstituted;</p> <p>(e) That the County Council recommend to Cabinet that the Waste Strategy Review Board and the Procurement Board be discontinued; and</p> <p>(f) That the County Council recommend to Cabinet that the following fora continued:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Joint Consultative Committee • The School Performance Monitoring Group • The Member/Officer Tenant Working • The Voluntary Sector Grants Panel • The Inclusion Service Steering Group • The Welsh in Education Strategic Forum • The Foster Care Panel • The Children's Forum • The Adoption Panel

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Health & Safety Board