

**Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Flintshire County Council on Tuesday, 12 May 2015**

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<b>Part A – Items considered in public</b>		
<b>A3</b>	Appointment of Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2015/16, Investiture of Chain of Office and Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That Councillor Ray Hughes be elected Chair of the Council for the municipal year 2015/16.</p> <p>Councillor Hughes was invested with the Chain of Office by the retiring Chair and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Chief Executive.</p> <p>(From this point, Councillor Ray Hughes chaired the remainder of the meeting.)</p> <p>The Chair then presented Councillor Glenys Diskin with her retiring Chair’s Badge of Office and her Consort’s retiring Badge of Office.</p> <p>Councillors Aaron Shotton, Robin Guest, Clive Carver, Mike Peers and Tony Sharps congratulated Councillor Ray Hughes on his appointment and paid tribute to the out-going Chair for the inspirational manner in which she had carried out her role.</p> <p>In responding, Councillor Ray Hughes thanked Members for electing him as Chair for the year ahead and paid tribute to the out-going Chair for the manner in which she and her Consort had acted as model ambassadors for the Council. He provided details of his chosen charities for the year, which were the Leeswood branch of Nightingale Hospice, Clwyd Riding School for the Disabled and Guide Dogs for the Blind. He went on to thank his Consort, Mrs Gwenda Hughes and his Chaplain for the coming year, Reverend Trevor Pratt.</p> <p>On behalf of the officers, the Chief Executive congratulated the Chair and thanked the out-going Chair, Vice-Chair and their Consorts.</p>
<b>A4</b>	Appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2014/15, Investiture of Chain of Office	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That Councillor Peter Curtis be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Council for the municipal year</p>

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	and Signing of Declaration of Acceptance of Office	<p>2015/16.</p> <p>Councillor Curtis was invested with the Chain of Office by the Chair and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office in the presence of the Chief Executive.</p> <p>The Vice-Chair thanked Members for electing him as Vice-Chair for the year ahead for which he felt honoured. He offered his congratulations to the Chair and his Consort and offered his support whenever needed.</p>										
<b>A5</b>	Appointment of Leader of the County Council	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That Councillor Aaron Shotton be appointed Leader of the Council for the municipal year 2015/16.</p>										
<b>A6</b>	Appointment of the Cabinet by the Leader	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the choice of Councillors to serve on the Cabinet and their portfolios detailed below, be noted.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="891 1074 2024 1380"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="891 1074 1184 1142"><b><u>Cabinet</u></b></th> <th data-bbox="1184 1074 2024 1142"><b><u>Portfolio</u></b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="891 1142 1184 1193">Aaron Shotton</td> <td data-bbox="1184 1142 2024 1193">Leader of the Council &amp; Cabinet Member for Finance</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="891 1193 1184 1281">Bernie Attridge</td> <td data-bbox="1184 1193 2024 1281">Deputy Leader of the Council &amp; Cabinet Member for Environment</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="891 1281 1184 1332">Chris Bithell</td> <td data-bbox="1184 1281 2024 1332">Cabinet Member for Education</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="891 1332 1184 1380">Helen Brown</td> <td data-bbox="1184 1332 2024 1380">Cabinet Member for Housing</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<b><u>Cabinet</u></b>	<b><u>Portfolio</u></b>	Aaron Shotton	Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member for Finance	Bernie Attridge	Deputy Leader of the Council & Cabinet Member for Environment	Chris Bithell	Cabinet Member for Education	Helen Brown	Cabinet Member for Housing
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<b>A7</b>	Overview & Scrutiny Structure	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>(a) That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee structure shown in Appendix 1 be adopted with immediate effect; and</p> <p>(b) That the terms of reference shown in Appendix 2 be approved.</p>								
<b>A8</b>	CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS: COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the County Council confirm the appointment of the Committees as outlined in section 2 of the report and above.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the County Council confirm the size of the Committees as outlined above and in section 3.01 of the report.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the terms of reference for each Committee in Part 2 of the Constitution, including the terms of reference for the new Overview and Scrutiny Committees, be approved.</p>								

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		<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the allocation of seats and political balance for each Committee be agreed as Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>(a) That the following Members be appointed Chair of the Standing Committees as indicated below:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Constitution Committee - Councillor Robin Guest  Clwyd Pension Fund Committee - Councillor Alan Diskin  Democratic Services Committee - Councillor Robin Guest  Licensing Committee - Councillor Tony Sharps  Planning &amp; Development Control Committee - Councillor David Wisinger</p> <p>(b) That the Chairs of the Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committees be allocated to the following groups:</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Community and Enterprise</td> <td>Labour/Independent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Education and Youth</td> <td>Labour/Independent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Social and Health</td> <td>Labour/Independent</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Organisational Change</td> <td>New Independents</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Environment</td> <td>Independent Alliance</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Corporate Resources</td> <td>Conservative</td> </tr> </table> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the existing Local Choice Issues be confirmed.</p>	Community and Enterprise	Labour/Independent	Education and Youth	Labour/Independent	Social and Health	Labour/Independent	Organisational Change	New Independents	Environment	Independent Alliance	Corporate Resources	Conservative
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		<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the appointment of an Appointments Committee, as detailed in section 8.01 of the report, be agreed.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the appointment of outside bodies be delegated to the Chief Executive in consultation with Group Leaders and non-aligned Members.</p> <p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the three County Councillors on the Standards Committee be noted.</p>

**Political Balance - Appendix 1**

<b>A9</b>	Schedule of Member Remuneration	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>(a) That band (b) be the agreed payment to the Council Chair and Vice-Chair;</p> <p>(b) That the schedule of Member remuneration shown in Appendix 2 be updated to apply to 2015/16; and</p> <p>(c) That further reports be submitted to Democratic Services Committee in relation to the details provided in paragraphs 3.03 and 3.04 of the report</p>
<b>A10</b>	New Model Constitution	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That the new format of the Constitution as recommended by the Constitution Committee be agreed and adopted.</p>

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<b>A11</b>	County Council Diary of Meetings 2015/16	<p><b><u>RESOLVED:</u></b></p> <p>That, subject to the meeting of Flintshire County Council on 12 July being removed, the draft Diary of Meetings for 2015/16 be approved.</p>
<b>A12</b>	Members of the Press and Public in Attendance	There was one member of the press and 16 members of the public present.