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Councillors: Glyn Banks, Haydn Bateman, Ian Dunbar, Alison Halford,  
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**Co-opted Member:**

Paul Williams

5 July 2016

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee which will be held at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 13th July, 2016 in the Clwyd Committee Room, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA to consider the following items

**A G E N D A**

**1 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

To appoint a Chair of the Committee.

**2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR**

To appoint a Vice-Chair of the Committee.

**3 APOLOGIES**

**Purpose:** To receive any apologies.

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)**

**Purpose:** To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

**5 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 16)**

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2016 (copy enclosed).

6 **CONSULTANCY FOLLOW UP** (Pages 17 - 32)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To inform members of the results of the audit into the new system for managing the use of consultants.

7 **DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2015/16** (Pages 33 - 198)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** Presenting the draft Statement of Accounts 2015/16 for Members information only at this stage.

8 **SUPPLEMENTARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION TO DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2015/16** (Pages 199 - 204)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** This report contains the information on salaries over £60,000 for all Council employees, non-permanent posts and short term professional advisors requested in a Notice of Motion approved by Council in January 2013 for financial year 2015/16.

9 **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT** (Pages 205 - 208)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** For the committee to consider and approve the draft Annual Governance Statement (AGS) for 2015/16.

10 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2015/16; TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE QUARTER 1 2016/17** (Pages 209 - 234)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** Presents the draft treasury management outturn report for 2015/16 for Audit Committee's recommendation to Cabinet, and an update of treasury management activity during the first quarter of 2016/17.

11 **ASSET DISPOSAL AND CAPITAL RECEIPTS GENERATED 2015/16**  
(Pages 235 - 240)

Report of Chief Officer (Organisational Change) enclosed.

**Purpose:** Report provides a summary of assets disposed of during the financial year 2015/16 and the Capital Receipts generated as a result.

12 **CERTIFICATION OF GRANT CLAIMS AND RETURNS 2014/15** (Pages 241 - 264)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To inform Members of the grant claim certification for the year ended 31st March 2014.

13 **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE** (Pages 265 - 320)

Report of Chief Executive enclosed.

**Purpose:** To note the status of the end of year 2015/16 strategic risks within the Improvement Plan.

14 **INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT** (Pages 321 - 334)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To inform members of the outcome of all audit work carried out during 2015/16 and to give the annual Internal Audit opinion on the standard of internal control, risk management and governance within the Council.

15 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 335 - 368)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To present to the Committee an update on the progress of the Internal Audit department.

16 **WALES AUDIT OFFICE - REGULATORY PROGRAMME - PERFORMANCE WORK 2016/17** (Pages 369 - 378)

Report of Chief Executive enclosed.

**Purpose:** To note the regulatory programme for 2016/17 as published by the Auditor General for Wales.

17 **ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 379 - 384)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To inform the Committee of the actions resulting from points raised at previous Audit Committee meetings.

18 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 385 - 392)

Report of Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

**Purpose:** To consider the Forward Work Programme for the Audit Committee.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - TO CONSIDER THE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The following item is considered to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph 15 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The item relates to negotiations on labour relations matters that are currently underway with Trade Unions. The public interest favours not disclosing the details of those negotiations until after they have been concluded.

19 **CAR USER ALLOWANCES**

To receive a verbal report on car user allowances.

Yours faithfully



Peter Evans  
Democracy & Governance Manager