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To: Cllr Tim Newhouse (Chairman)

Councillors: Glyn Banks, Haydn Bateman, Ian Dunbar, Alison Halford, Ian Roberts and Arnold Woolley

Co-opted Member:
Paul Williams

17 January 2017

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee which will be held at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 25th January, 2017 in the Clwyd Committee Room, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA to consider the following items

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 14)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 26 September 2016 (copy enclosed).

4 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 15 - 50)

Report of Interim Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

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

5 STRATEGIC RISKS - MID YEAR REVIEW (Pages 51 - 106)

Report of Chief Executive enclosed. Portfolio of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance.

Purpose: To review the Council's strategic risk at the mid year position.

6 CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (Pages 107 - 144)

Report of Chief Executive enclosed. Portfolio of the Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance.

Purpose: To endorse the Council's Code of Corporate Governance and preparation for this year's Annual Governance Statement.

7 GRANTS AUDIT WORK 2015/16 - VERBAL UPDATE

To receive a verbal update on Grants audit work 2015/16.

8 WALES AUDIT OFFICE (WAO) - ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2015/16 (Pages 145 - 152)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To present the Wales Audit Office's Annual Audit Letter 2015/16 for Members information

9 TREASURY MANAGEMENT - STRATEGY 2017/18, MID-YEAR REPORT 2016/17 AND QUARTERLY UPDATE 2016/17 (Pages 153 - 198)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager enclosed.

Purpose: 1 To present the draft Treasury Management Strategy 2017/18 for review prior to the Committee recommending its approval to Cabinet.

2 To provide an update on matters relating to the Council's Treasury Management Policy, Strategy and Practices 2016/17 to the end of September 2016.

3 To provide Members with a quarterly update on matters relating to the Council's 2016/17 Treasury Management Strategy up to the end of December 2016.

10 **MOBILE PHONES - PROGRESS UPDATE** (Pages 199 - 204)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) enclosed.

Purpose: To provide a progress update on mobile phones.

11 **IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTRACT PROCEDURE RULES** (Pages 205 - 208)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) enclosed. Portfolio of the Cabinet Member for Corporate Management.

Purpose: To update members on the implementation of the new Contract Procedure Rules

12 **ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 209 - 214)

Report of Interim Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

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

13 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 215 - 222)

Report of Interim Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

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

14 **ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE POST OF INTERNAL AUDIT MANAGER - VERBAL UPDATE**

Purpose: To receive a verbal update.

**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(s) 12, 13 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The report contains information relating to individuals and the public interest in not revealing the information outweighs the public interest in releasing it.

15 GREENFIELD VALLEY HERITAGE PARK (Pages 223 - 238)

Report of Interim Internal Audit Manager enclosed.

Purpose: To inform committee of the Internal Audit review of Greenfield Valley Heritage Park.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Robins', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Robert Robins
Democratic Services Manager