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Councillors: Geoff Collett, Chris Dolphin, Andy Dunbobbin, Andrew Holgate, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley

Co-opted Member: Sally Ellis

13 November 2018

Dear Sir/Madam

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee which will be held at 10.00 am on Wednesday, 21st November, 2018 in the Clwyd Committee Room, County Hall, Mold CH7 6NA to consider the following items

AGENDA

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 - 10)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 12 September 2018.

4 ANNUAL IMPROVEMENT REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR WALES (Pages 11 - 40)

Report of Chief Executive - Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets

Purpose: To receive the Annual Improvement Report from the Auditor General for Wales and note the Council's response.

5 ASSET DISPOSAL AND CAPITAL RECEIPTS GENERATED 2017/18 (Pages 41 - 48)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Assets) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets

Purpose: To inform Members of the 2017/18 Assets Disposals.

6 TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW 2018/19 & QUARTER 2 UPDATE (Pages 49 - 74)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager - Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance

Purpose: To present the draft mid-year Treasury Management report 2018/19 for review, with an update on the Council's Treasury Management activity during the period 1st July to 31st September 2018.

7 USE OF CONSULTANTS (Pages 75 - 78)

Report of Chief Executive - Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets

Purpose: To consider compliance with processes and procedures around consultancy spend, and the accuracy of coding of consultancy spend on the general ledger.

8 **CLWYD PENSION FUND GOVERNANCE** (Pages 79 - 88)

Report of Clwyd Pension Fund Manager -

Purpose: To provide assurance on the governance arrangements of the Clwyd Pension Fund and the value for money of fund manager fees.

9 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 89 - 164)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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

10 <u>GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR) COMPLIANCE</u> (Pages 165 - 176)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Management and Assets

Purpose: To report the findings of the Internal Audit Review of the General Data Protection Regulations Compliance.

11 **AUDIT COMMITTEE SELF-ASSESSMENT** (Pages 177 - 194)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

Purpose: To inform Members of the results of the Audit Committee selfassessment which will feed into the preparation of the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18. It will also form the basis for the provision of any further training required by the committee.

12 AUDIT COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND CHARTER (Pages 195 - 234)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

- **Purpose:** To seek Members' agreement to changes to the Audit Committee Terms of Reference and Charter, Article Seven of the Council's Constitution.
- 13 ACTION TRACKING (Pages 235 238)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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

14 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 239 - 246)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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

Yours faithfully

Robert Robins Democratic Services Manager