

**Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Audit Committee on Wednesday, 20 November 2019**

<b>Agenda Item No</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>A1</b>	Substitution	That Councillor Joe Johnson be permitted as a substitute for the meeting.
<b>A2</b>	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	Councillor Woolley declared a personal interest as the initiator of some of the items in the Internal Audit Progress Report (agenda item 12).
<b>A3</b>	Minutes	That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
<b>A4</b>	School Reserve Balances Year Ending 31 March 2019	That the school reserves balances as at 31 March 2019 be noted.
<b>A5</b>	Outcome of Estyn Inspection	That the Committee receives and acknowledges the findings of the Estyn report on education services in Flintshire.
<b>A6</b>	Asset Disposals and Capital Receipts Generated 2018/19	That the report be noted.
<b>A7</b>	Treasury Management Mid-Year Review 2019/20 and Quarter 2 Update	That the Committee notes the draft Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2019/20 and confirms that there are no matters to be drawn to the attention of Cabinet on 17 December 2019.
<b>A8</b>	Submission of Certified Grants and Returns 2018/19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That progress of the Grant Claim Certification process for 2018/19 be noted;</li> <li>(b) That progress on actions arising from the 2017/18 report be noted; and</li> <li>(c) That the changes made to the Grant External Audit Process from 2019/20 be noted.</li> </ul>
<b>A9</b>	Risk Management Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the status of the initial overview of strategic risks of the 2019/20 priorities of the Council be noted; and</li> <li>(b) That the commitment to present the risk management framework and guidance at January's Audit Committee be noted.</li> </ul>

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<b>A10</b>	Contract Management	That the Internal Audit service monitor the delivery of portfolio action plans (through the routine action tracking) to improve contract management and undertake a follow-up during 2020/21.
<b>A11</b>	Use of Consultants	That the Committee is assured that expenditure on consultants is being controlled and the Council is achieving value for money, therefore the Committee no longer requires an annual update report.
<b>A12</b>	Internal Audit Progress Report	<p>(a) That the report be accepted;</p> <p>(b) That future progress reports be condensed to include details of overdue actions on only high and medium priority actions and any areas where valid reasons had not been provided for actions older than six months and overdue; and</p> <p>(c) That the amber/red reports on Alltami Stores and Highways Cost Recovery be referred to the Environment Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee.</p>
<b>A13</b>	Audit Committee Action Tracking	That the report be accepted.
<b>A14</b>	Forward Work Programme	<p>(a) That the Forward Work Programme be accepted; and</p> <p>(b) That the Internal Audit Manager, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee, be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises.</p>