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18 March 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

# NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING CONSTITUTION AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, 24TH MARCH, 2021 at 2.00 PM

This agenda is subject to restrictions on content due to the Election Period which runs from Monday 22 March to Sunday 9 May 2021.

Yours faithfully

Robert Robins
Democratic Services Manager

Please note: This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members and those Members of Council who have asked the Head of Democratic Services for an invitation. Such attendees may only speak at the Chair's discretion.

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#### AGENDA

#### 1 APOLOGIES

**Purpose:** To receive any apologies.

### 2 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (INCLUDING WHIPPING DECLARATIONS)</u>

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

#### 3 **MINUTES** (Pages 3 - 6)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held

on 25 November 2020.

### 4 REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE (Pages 7 - 20)

**Purpose:** To seek approval to amend the name of Councils Audit

Committee and to include new functions to the current Terms

of Reference of the renamed Committee

#### 5 **REVIEW OF PROTOCOL FOR MEETING CONTRACTORS** (Pages 21 - 30)

**Purpose:** To undertake a rolling review of the Protocol to ensure it is still

up to date and pertinent.

## 6 <u>UPDATE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS ACT</u> (Pages 31 - 38)

**Purpose:** To apprise the committee of ongoing implementation of the

Act.

### 7 FAMILY ABSENCE FOR MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES (WALES) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021. (Pages 39 - 42)

**Purpose:** To inform the Committee of the increase in adopter's absence

entitlement for Members.

#### 8 MEMBER WORKSHOPS BRIEFINGS AND SEMINARS UPDATE (Pages 43 - 46)

**Purpose:** To provide members with an update on engagement events

held during the last year.

Please note that there may be a 10 minute adjournment of this meeting if it lasts longer than two hours