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Councillors: Janet Axworthy, Geoff Collett, Andy Dunbobbin, Patrick Heesom, Paul Johnson and Arnold Woolley

# Co-opted Members:

Sally Ellis and Allan Rainford

21 January 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

### NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING AUDIT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, 27TH JANUARY, 2021 at 10.00 AM

Yours faithfully

Robert Robins Democratic Services Manager

Please note: Due to the current restrictions on travel and the requirement for physical distancing, this meeting will not be held at its usual location. This will be a remote meeting and 'attendance' will be restricted to Committee Members. The meeting will be recorded.

If you have any queries regarding this, please contact a member of the Democratic Services Team on 01352 702345.

# 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 **<u>MINUTES</u>** (Pages 5 - 12)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 18 November 2020.

#### 4 <u>ANNUAL AUDIT SUMMARY FOR FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL</u> 2019/20 (Pages 13 - 24)

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

**Purpose:** To receive the Annual Audit Summary from the Auditor General for Wales and note the Council's response.

### 5 TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2021/22 AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT QUARTER 3 UPDATE 2020/21 (Pages 25 - 68)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager - Cabinet Member for Finance

**Purpose:** To recommend to Cabinet and Council the 2021/22 Treasury Management Strategy, 2019/20-2021/22 Treasury Management Policy, Practices and Schedules. Quarterly update on matters relating to the Council's Treasury Management Policy, Strategy and Practices 2020/21.

### 6 **CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE** (Pages 69 - 98)

Report of Chief Executive -

**Purpose:** To endorse the review of the Code of Corporate Governance.

### 7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & ELECTIONS (WALES) BILL (Pages 99 - 104)

Report of Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Governance) -

Purpose: To present an update on the Local Government & Elections Bill.

# 8 **<u>RECRUITMENT OF A LAY MEMBER TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE</u> (Pages 105 - 108)**

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) -

**Purpose:** To approve the recruitment process of a Lay Member to the Audit Committee as required by the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Bill.

# 9 **INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER** (Pages 109 - 144)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

**Purpose:** To outline to Members the updated Internal Audit Charter.

#### 10 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 145 - 190)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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

#### 11 **AUDIT COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 191 - 194)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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

## 12 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 195 - 202)

Report of Internal Audit Manager -

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