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11 November 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 2021 at 10.00 AM

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.

The meeting will be live streamed onto the Council's website. A recording of the meeting will also be available, shortly after the meeting at https://flintshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home

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

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 **MINUTES** (Pages 7 - 14)

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

on 27 September 2021.

4 **HOUSING RENT INCOME - AUDIT WALES** (Pages 15 - 30)

Report of Chief Executive -

Purpose: To acknowledge the Audit Wales Report and note the

recommendations on the collection of additional data and

performance reporting.

5 <u>AUDIT WALES REVIEW OF TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION</u> (Pages 31 - 58)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Economic Development

Purpose: To consider the key recommendations of the Audit Wales

review of Town Centre Regeneration and the Council's

response.

6 **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE** (Pages 59 - 80)

Report of Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Governance) -

Purpose: To be assured that the updated risk management framework is

comprehensive and functional.

7 ASSET DISPOSAL AND CAPITAL RECEIPTS GENERATED 2020/21

(Pages 81 - 88)

Report of Chief Executive -

Purpose: To inform Members of the 2020/21 asset disposals.

8 TREASURY MANAGEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW 2021/22 AND QUARTER 2 UPDATE (Pages 89 - 116)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager - Cabinet Member for Finance, Social Value and Procurement

Purpose: To present to Members the draft Treasury Management Mid-

Year Review 1st April - 30th September 2021 for comments

and recommendations for approval to Cabinet.

9 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 117 - 148)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To present to the Committee an update on the progress of the

Internal Audit Department.

10 **GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE SELF-ASSESSMENT** (Pages 149 - 162)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To inform Members of the results of the Committee's self-

assessment which will feed into preparation of the Annual Governance Statement. It will also form the basis for the provision of any further training required by the Committee.

11 **GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT** (Pages 163 - 202)

Report of Chair of Governance and Audit Committee -

Purpose: To report on activities of the Committee during 2020/21.

12 **GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 203 - 206)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To inform the Committee of the actions resulting from points

raised at previous Governance and Audit Committee meetings.

13 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 207 - 214)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

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

Department.

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.

14 MAES GWERN CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS (Pages 215 - 226)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To inform Committee of the Internal Audit review of Maes

Gwern Contractual Arrangements.

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

Procedural Note on the conduct of meetings

The Chair will open the meeting and introduce themselves.

The meeting will be attended by a number of Councillors. Officers will also be in attendance to present reports, with Democratic Services officers acting as hosts of the meeting.

All attendees are asked to ensure their mobile phones are switched off and that any background noise is kept to a minimum.

All microphones are to be kept muted during the meeting and should only be unmuted when invited to speak by the Chair. When invitees have finished speaking they should go back on mute.

To indicate to speak, Councillors will use the chat facility or use the electronic raise hand function. The chat function may also be used for questions, relevant comments and officer advice and updates.

The Chair will call the speakers, with elected Members addressed as 'Councillor' and officers addressed by their job title e.g. Chief Executive' or name. From time to time, the officer advising the Chair will explain procedural points or suggest alternative wording for proposals, to assist the Committee.

If and when a vote is taken, the Chair will explain that only those who oppose the proposal(s), or who wish to abstain will need to indicate, using the chat function. The officer advising the Chair will indicate whether the proposals are carried.

If a more formal vote is needed, this will be by roll call – where each Councillor will be asked in turn (alphabetically) how s/he wishes to vote

At County Council and Planning Committee meetings speaker's times are limited. A bell will be sounded to alert that the speaker has one minute remaining

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