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7 October 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING
COMMUNITY, HOUSING & ASSETS OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 13 OCTOBER, 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.

A G E N D A

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 held on 16 June, 2021.

4 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME AND ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 11 - 20)

Report of Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator

Purpose: To consider the Forward Work Programme of the Community Housing & Assets Overview & Scrutiny Committee and to inform the Committee of progress against actions from previous meetings.

5 **BUDGET 2022/23 - STAGE 2** (Pages 21 - 26)

Report of Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Housing and Assets), Corporate Finance Manager - Cabinet Member for Housing, Cabinet Member for Finance, Social Value and Procurement

Purpose: That the Committee reviews and comments on the Community, Housing and Assets cost pressures and overall budget strategy, and advises on any areas of cost efficiency it would like to see explored further.

6 **FLINTSHIRE HOUSING NEED PROSPECTUS** (Pages 27 - 50)

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

Purpose: To inform affordable housing delivery, shape the Social Housing Grant (SHG) programme by setting out what to Local Authority priorities are and provide a guide about housing type need in what locations.

7 DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT (DFG) POLICY (Pages 51 - 80)

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

Purpose: To provide an update on the ongoing work to improve the service.

8 PROGRESS OF EMPTY HOMES SCHEME IN FLINTSHIRE (Pages 81 - 84)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Planning and Public Protection

Purpose: To provide an overview of the work undertaken by the Empty Homes Service.

9 RAW MATERIAL SUPPLIES

Purpose: To receive a verbal report and provide assurance to the Committee on the highlighted risk identified by the Recovery Committee around raw material shortages which could lead to increase costs, programme delays and increased cases of contractual disputes.

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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