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To: Cllr Richard Jones (Chair)

Members of the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

1 June 2022

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE THURSDAY, 9TH JUNE, 2022 at 10.00 AM

Yours faithfully

Steven Goodrum

Democratic Services Manager

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AGENDA

1 **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

Purpose: To note that at the Annual Meeting, Council resolved that

Councillor Richard Jones be appointed as Chair of the

Committee.

2 **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

Purpose: To appoint a Vice-Chair for the Committee.

3 APOLOGIES

Purpose: To receive any apologies.

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

Purpose: To receive any Declarations and advise Members accordingly.

5 MINUTES (Pages 5 - 8)

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

10 March, 2022.

You are advised that immediately after the formal meeting has been concluded, there will be an Induction workshop for Committee members, providing background to the work of the Overview & Scrutiny Committees and the terms of reference of this Committee.

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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CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 10 MARCH 2022

Minutes of the meeting of Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee of Flintshire County Council held remotely on Thursday, 10 March 2022

PRESENT: Councillor Clive Carver (Chairman)

Councillors: Haydn Bateman, Sean Bibby, Geoff Collett, Mared Eastwood, Patrick Heesom, Richard Lloyd, Kevin Rush, Paul Shotton and Arnold Woolley

APOLOGY: Councillors: Richard Jones and Andy Williams

<u>ALSO PRESENT</u>: Councillor Paul Johnson, Cabinet Member for Finance, Social Value & Procurement and Councillor Billy Mullin, Deputy Leader of the Council (Governance) & Cabinet Member for Corporate Management & Assets

<u>CONTRIBUTORS</u>: Councillor Ian Roberts, Leader and Cabinet Member for Education; Councillor Christine Jones, Deputy Leader of the Council (Partnerships) and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Governance) and Strategic Executive Officer

IN ATTENDANCE: Democratic Services Manager and Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator

85. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Paul Shotton declared a personal interest in Agenda item 4 – Consultation on the Draft Flintshire Well-being Assessment 2022, as a Member of the North Wales Fire Authority.

86. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2022 were approved, as moved and seconded by Councillors Arnold Woolley and Paul Shotton.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes be approved as a correct record.

87. <u>CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT FLINTSHIRE WELL-BEING ASSESSMENT</u> 2022

The Chief Executive and Strategic Executive Officer jointly presented the draft Flintshire Well-being Assessment 2022. The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 requires specific public bodies to work together under a Public Services Board (PSB) to improve local economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being. Responsibilities of PSBs include periodically preparing and publishing an assessment of local well-being and prior to publishing its Local Well-being Assessment the PSB is required to consult a number of statutory consultees, including the Local Authority Overview and

Scrutiny Committee. The draft Flintshire Well-being Assessment 2022 was attached at Appendix A of the report for consideration and feedback.

The draft Well-being Assessment had been produced in accordance with statutory guidance and as such, looked to assess and analyse the state of local well-being across four pillars and the assessment also:-

- Drew on a number of other reviews and assessments, such as the Population Needs Assessment;
- Assessed and analysed the state of well-being within specific communities and for the area of Flintshire as a whole;
- Considered the well-being of local people/groups;
- Reflected on predictions of future trends; and
- Aimed to identify interconnections and root causes affecting local wellbeing.

The Strategic Executive Officer reported that an on-line survey was available on the Council's website in order to capture any additional views before the final Well-being Assessment was published before 5th May, 2022.

Councillor Paul Shotton welcomed the report and commented on the well-being assessment being wide ranging. He commented on his role as a Member of the North Wales Fire Authority and outlined the work undertaken to provide assistance to the elderly population and the prevention work to support the student population. He said that he had recently read a report from the Commissioner for Children which outlined concerns around Adverse Childhood Experiences and asked how the number of children with adverse experiences were identified in Flintshire.

The Strategic Executive Officer responded Adverse Childhood Experiences statistics were provided within the report but they were on an all Wales basis as opposed to localised data. There were a broad range of factors that could impact a child's development and the well-being assessment takes these into account alongside community impacts, such as, poverty, discrimination and quality of housing. She agreed to liaise with colleagues and provide details of the number of children in Flintshire with Adverse Childhood Experiences to the Committee following the meeting.

The Leader of the Council commented that everybody would have experienced an Adverse Childhood Experience, such as, the loss of a parent and parental divorce. The term Adverse Childhood Experiences relates to a child who has had a number of adverse experiences and the impact it has on them. The Deputy Leader of the Council (Partnerships) and Cabinet Member for Social Services reported on the Early Help Hub which had been set up in Flintshire a number of years ago to assist children and families dealing with Adverse Childhood Experiences. This hub had made a significant difference to those families over the years.

Councillor Arnold Woolley sought clarification on the impact assessment and risk management paragraph of the report where he felt there was a typo. He

commented on the use of 'Flintshire as a village of 100 people' concept which he felt was an adequate starting point but feared it had its limitations. He also commented on housing issues and whether people owned their own home, lived in Council housing or rented accommodation had a significant impact to their lives and commented on the problems faced within the rented sector around finance and evictions. He also commented on the significant issue of drugs which affected communities and had an impact on children and welcomed North Wales Police visiting schools to discuss this issue with children. He said that he had a number of comments to make on the Well-being Assessment document and would send these to the Strategic Executive Officer following the meeting.

A number of Members spoke in support of the use of 'Flintshire as a village of 100 people' concept and how easily readable the Well-being Assessment was. Councillor Paul Johnson said that he hoped the Well-being Assessment would be widely circulated and referred to often in the future as it was the core of what the Council does.

The Facilitator drew the Committees attention to the recommendation of the report which asked the Committee to provide feedback. She suggested that the Committee may want to consider amending the recommendation to reflect comments made by Members that it supports the draft Flintshire Well-being Assessment, as presented at Appendix A.

The recommendation, which was amended to reflect the debate, was moved and seconded by Councillors Paul Shotton and Richard Lloyd.

RESOLVED:

That the Committee support the draft Flintshire Well-being Assessment as presented.

88. MEMBERS OF THE PRESS IN ATTENDANCE

There were no members of the press in attendance.

(The meeting started at 10am and ended at 10.33am)

Chairman

