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Martin White

**Co-opted Members:**

Lynn Bartlett and Wendy White

10 September 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

**NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING**  
**EDUCATION, YOUTH & CULTURE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**THURSDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER, 2021 at 2.00 PM**

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 - 24)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the joint meeting with Social & Health Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee held on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021, and the Education Youth & Culture Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021.

### 4 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME AND ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 25 - 34)

Report of Education and Youth Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator

**Purpose:** To consider the Forward Work Programme of the Education & Youth Overview & Scrutiny Committee and to inform the Committee of progress against actions from previous meetings.

### 5 **BUDGET 2022/23 - STAGE 2** (Pages 35 - 46)

Report of Chief Executive, Chief Officer (Education and Youth), Corporate Finance Manager - Cabinet Member for Finance, Social Value and Procurement, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education

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

### 6 **SCHOOL RESERVE BALANCES YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2021** (Pages 47 - 54)

Report of Chief Officer (Education and Youth) - Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education

**Purpose:** To provide the Committee with details of the closing balances held by Flintshire schools at the end of the financial year.

**7 COVID-19 SCHOOLS OPERATIONAL UPDATE (Pages 55 - 60)**

Report of Chief Officer (Education and Youth) - Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education

**Purpose:** To provide the Committee with an overview of the revised Covid-19 measures for the safe operation of schools.

**8 ESTYN THEMATIC REVIEW UPDATE (Pages 61 - 70)**

Report of Chief Officer (Education and Youth) - Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Education

**Purpose:** To provide Scrutiny with assurances on the Education Portfolio's response to supporting learning and teaching during the Covid-19 pandemic.

***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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