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**Co-opted Members:**

Sally Ellis and Brian Harvey

17 January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

**NOTICE OF REMOTE MEETING**  
**GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, 24TH JANUARY, 2024 at 10.00 AM**

Yours faithfully

Steven Goodrum  
Democratic Services Manager

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## 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 - 12)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2023.

### 4 **AUDIT ACTIONS OUTSTANDING** (Pages 13 - 32)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

**Purpose:** To provide Members, as requested, with an update on the progress of audit actions outstanding within Housing and Community.

### 5 **AUDIT WALES REPORT - SOCIAL ENTERPRISE** (Pages 33 - 70)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) -

**Purpose:** To provide an update on actions following receipt of the Audit Wales report on Social Enterprise.

### 6 **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE** (Pages 71 - 122)

Report of Strategic Performance Advisor -

**Purpose:** To be assured that the updated risk management framework is comprehensive and functional.

### 7 **CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE** (Pages 123 - 152)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

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

8 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2024/25 STRATEGY AND Q3 UPDATE 2023/24** (Pages 153 - 194)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager -

**Purpose:** (1) To present to Members the draft Treasury Management Strategy 2024/25 for comments and recommendations for approval to Cabinet (2) To provide an update on matters relating to the Council's Treasury Management Policy, Strategy and Practices to the end December 2023.

9 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 195 - 256)

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 **ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 257 - 262)

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.

11 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 263 - 268)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

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

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