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7 September 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

**NOTICE OF HYBRID MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY & HOUSING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 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 - 22)

**Purpose:** To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 3 and 12 July, 2023.

### 4 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME AND ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 23 - 32)

Report of Overview & Scrutiny Facilitator

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

### 5 **DISABLED ADAPTATIONS POLICY** (Pages 33 - 68)

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

**Purpose:** To present the updated Policy for Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG).

### 6 **HOMELESSNESS BUDGET PRESSURES**

**Purpose:** To provide a verbal update to the Committee on budget pressures around homelessness.

### 7 **HOUSING STRATEGY ACTION PLAN PERFORMANCE UPDATE** (Pages 69 - 122)

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

**Purpose:** To provide an update on the Housing Strategy.

**8** **FLINTSHIRE HOUSING NEED PROSPECTUS** (Pages 123 - 150)

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

**Purpose:** The report provides the annual update on the Council Housing Needs prospectus which allows the local authority to identify their priorities for Social Housing Grant as part of the WG Grant framework. The prospectus also provides a clear and concise summary of the housing need and demand.

**9** **VOID MANAGEMENT** (Pages 151 - 154)

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

**Purpose:** To provide a detailed update to the Committee on Void properties and the work undertaken to bring the properties back into use.

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