

Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Governance and Audit Committee on Thursday, 26 September 2024

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
A1	Substitution	That Councillor Allan Marshall be permitted as a substitute for the meeting.
A2	Declarations of Interest (including Whipping Declarations)	On minute no. 37 (School Reserves), a personal interest was declared by the Chair and Councillors Teresa Carberry, Allan Marshall and Linda Thew as school governors. Sally Ellis declared a personal interest on the same item due to her son being employed by a school in Flintshire.
A3	Minutes	That subject to the amendment on minute 23, the minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2024 be approved as a correct record.
A4	Corporate Self-assessment 2023/24	<p>(a) That the Committee is assured of the findings of the Corporate Self-Assessment 2023/24;</p> <p>(b) That the Committee is assured of the opportunities for improvement identified in the Corporate Self-assessment 2023/24; and</p> <p>(c) That Members forward any areas for review to the Internal Audit Manager by 11 October 2024 to enable a further report to be brought in November.</p>
A5	Setting of Well-being Objectives	That the Committee is assured of the recommendations for improvement.
A6	Nominating Members to the Corporate Joint Committee's own Governance and Audit Committee	<p>(a) That the Committee nominates Councillor Andrew Parkhurst to serve on the Governance & Audit Committee of the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee and Councillor Ted Palmer to serve as a substitute;</p> <p>(b) That the Committee does not wish to nominate a Lay Member to the Governance & Audit Committee of the North Wales Corporate Joint Committee; and</p> <p>(c) That the Chief Officer (Governance) ascertain whether there is a mandatory training requirement for nominations to the Corporate Joint Committee Governance & Audit Committee.</p>

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A7	Internal Audit Progress Report	(a) That the report be accepted; and (b) That a report be requested from the Chief Executive, summarising his perspective of the main reasons for delayed actions, aside from the lack of resources, and proposals for improving the timeliness and accuracy of fulfilling action plans within the next six months. In addition, that the responsible senior officer and Cabinet Member attend the Committee to provide explanation where there are insufficient reasons for delays with high priority overdue actions.
A8	Action Tracking	That the Committee accepts the report.
A9	Forward Work Programme	(a) That the Forward Work Programme be accepted, as amended; and (b) That the Internal Audit, Performance & Risk Manager, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee, be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises.
A10	School Reserves Year Ending 31 March 2024 and Demographics	That the Committee notes the report, level of school reserves as at 31 March 2024 and overview of schools' current financial position.