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Co-opted Members: Brian Harvey (Chair), Sally Ellis and Allan Rainford

Councillors: Bernie Attridge, Teresa Carberry, Dave Mackie, Ted Palmer, Andrew Parkhurst and Jason Shallcross

15 January 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF HYBRID MEETING
GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 2025 at 10.00 AM

*** Please note there will be an informal meeting for Committee Members only at 9.30am**

Yours faithfully

Steven Goodrum
Democratic Services Manager

Please note: Attendance at this meeting is either in person in the Delyn Committee Room, Flintshire County Council, County Hall, Mold, Flintshire or on a virtual basis.

The meeting will be live streamed onto the Council's website. The live streaming will stop when any confidential items are considered. 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 - 10)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2024.

4 **FLINTSHIRE YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE HMIP INSPECTION** (Pages 11 - 16)

Report of Chief Officer (Education and Youth) - Cabinet Member for Education, Welsh Language, Culture and Leisure

Purpose: To present the report following the recent Youth Justice Service Inspection.

5 **GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE - CLOSING OUT MANAGEMENT ACTIONS FLOWING FROM INTERNAL AUDITS** (Pages 17 - 22)

Report of Chief Executive -

Purpose: To provide members with a report summarising the reasons for delay and proposals for improving the implementation of management actions.

6 **CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE** (Pages 23 - 54)

Report of Chief Executive -

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

7 **RISK MANAGEMENT - CORPORATE RISK REGISTER REPORT** (Pages 55 - 126)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

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

8 **TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2025/26 STRATEGY AND Q3 UPDATE 2024/25** (Pages 127 - 174)

Report of Corporate Finance Manager - Cabinet Member for Finance and Social Value

Purpose: (1) To present to Members the draft Treasury Management Strategy 2025/26 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 2024.

9 **ASSET DISPOSALS AND CAPITAL RECEIPTS GENERATED 2023/24** (Pages 175 - 182)

Report of Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets -

Purpose: To report on asset disposals and capital received generated during 2023/24.

10 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 183 - 228)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To present to the Committee an update on the progress of the Internal Audit Department.

11 **ACTION TRACKING** (Pages 229 - 232)

Report of Internal Audit, Performance and Risk Manager -

Purpose: To inform the Committee of the actions resulting from points raised at previous Governance & Audit Committee meetings.

12 **FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 233 - 238)

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