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To: The Leader of the Council and Cabinet Members

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Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF HYBRID MEETING
CABINET
WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER, 2024 at 10.00 AM

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**

Purpose: To receive any declarations and advise Members accordingly.

3 **MINUTES** (Pages 9 - 32)

Purpose: To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 16th and 23rd July 2024.

TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REPORTS

STRATEGIC REPORTS

4 **MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY AND BUDGET 2025/26** (Pages 33 - 44)

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

Purpose: To provide an update on the budget estimates and strategy for the setting of the 2025/26 budget and to refer to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

5 **AUDIT WALES REPORT – FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY** (Pages 45 - 64)

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

Purpose: To consider the report on Financial Sustainability from Audit Wales and agree the organisational response.

6 **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2023/24 TO INCORPORATE THE COUNCIL PLAN END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT 2023/24** (Pages 65 - 256)

Report of Chief Executive - Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Purpose: To approve the Annual Performance Report 2023-24, noting the Council Plan (2023-28) end of year performance for 2023-24.

7 CORPORATE SELF-ASSESSMENT 2023/24 (Pages 257 - 304)
Report of Chief Executive - Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Purpose: To accept and approve the findings of the Corporate Self-Assessment 2023/24. To approve the opportunities for improvement identified in Corporate Self-Assessment 2023/24.

8 FLINTSHIRE AND WREXHAM PSB ANNUAL REPORT 2023/2024 (Pages 305 - 322)

Report of Chief Executive - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Purpose: To present the Flintshire and Wrexham Public Services Board (PSB) Annual Report 2023.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS

9 REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2024/25 (MONTH 4) (Pages 323 - 348)

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

Purpose: This regular monthly report provides the latest revenue budget monitoring position for 2024/25 for the Council Fund and Housing Revenue Account. The position is based on actual income and expenditure as at Month 4, and projects forward to year-end.

10 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING 2024/25 (MONTH 4) (Pages 349 - 378)

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

Purpose: To present the Month 4 Capital Programme information for 2024/25.

11 TREASURY MANAGEMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24 (Pages 379 - 402)

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

Purpose: To present the draft Annual Treasury Management Report for 2023/24 for recommendation to Council.

12 **RESIDENTIAL CARE SECTOR REVIEW 2024-2034 AND TY CROES ATTI PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 403 - 440)

Report of Chief Officer (Social Services) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing

Purpose: To review and update the residential care review completed in 2016/2019, and to examine the changes the residential care sector, locally and nationally, is projected to experience by the year 2034. It will assess the current state of Flintshire's market as well as predict the likely situation in 2034 and offer recommendations to manage and mitigate the forecasted risks. The report will also cover an update on the development of Ty Croes Atti Care Home.

13 **CAPITAL WORKS – PROCUREMENT OF WHQS INTERNAL WORKS** (Pages 441 - 444)

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

Purpose: To seek approval to award a contract procured through the Procure Plus Framework, enabling the Council to continue with the WHQS Whole House Internal works to approximately 400 properties over the next two financial years.

14 **CAPITAL WORKS – PROCUREMENT WORKS RELATING TO FIRE SAFETY (HIGHRISE)** (Pages 445 - 450)

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

Purpose: To seek approval to award a contract procured through the North Wales Construction Partnership, phase 3 (NWCP3) procurement framework, enabling the Council to continue with the fire safety and compliance related works to our council owned assets, in particular the high-rise blocks in Flint.

15 **ANNUAL REPORT ON THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMPLAINTS AND COMPLIMENTS PROCEDURE** (Pages 451 - 474)

Report of Chief Officer (Social Services) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing

Purpose: To scrutinise the effectiveness of the complaints procedure with lessons being learnt to improve service provision.

16 **FLINTSHIRE MICRO-CARE PROJECT** (Pages 475 - 484)

Report of Chief Officer (Social Services) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing

Purpose: To provide an update on Flintshire's Micro-Carer market, provide an evaluation of the project to date, and to inform of any key developments going forward.

17 **YOUNG FLINTSHIRE PARTICIPATION MODEL** (Pages 485 - 496)

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

Purpose: To seek support for the approach to engage children and young people in Flintshire.

18 **FLINTSHIRE YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE HMIP INSPECTION** (Pages 497 - 502)

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

Purpose: To provide assurance on the quality of the Youth Justice Service in Flintshire.

19 **WINTER MAINTENANCE - DECISION MAKING REVIEW 2024** (Pages 503 - 536)

Report of Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Purpose: To provide an update of the proposed alterations to the current decision-making process within the 'Winter Maintenance Policy 2023 – 2025,' which was reviewed and agreed in September 2023, and set out to achieve savings identified in budget setting in February 2024.

20 **AUDIT WALES REPORT (SETTING OF THE WELL-BEING OBJECTIVES)** (Pages 537 - 574)

Report of Chief Executive - Cabinet Member for Finance and Social Value, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing

Purpose: To review the recommendations for improvement advised by Audit Wales, along with the Council's response.

21 **FLINTSHIRE CONNECTS ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24** (Pages 575 - 582)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Purpose: To provide an overview of the annual performance of Flintshire Connects during 2023-24.

22 **SOCIAL VALUE PROGRESS UPDATE** (Pages 583 - 588)

Report of Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets - Cabinet Member for Finance and Social Value

Purpose: To present social value performance data for the latter six months of the financial year 2023/24.

23 **WORKFORCE SURVEY 2023** (Pages 589 - 636)

Report of Corporate Manager, People and Organisational Development - Cllr Linda Thomas

Purpose: To share the outcomes of the latest workforce survey and seek approval for the introduction of a new set of core values.

24 **CALL-IN REPORT - COUNCIL'S TRANSITION TO A RESTRICTED CAPACITY RESIDUAL WASTE COLLECTION MODEL** (Pages 637 - 686)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Purpose: To update Cabinet following the call-in meeting relating to the Council's Transition to a Restricted Capacity Residual Waste Collection Model held on Tuesday 30th July.

25 **CALL-IN REPORT - ANNUAL REVIEW OF FEES AND CHARGES 2024** (Pages 687 - 748)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance) - Cabinet Member for Finance and Social Value

Purpose: To update Cabinet following the call-in meeting relating to Annual Review of Fees and Charges 2024 held on Wednesday 7th August.

26 **EXERCISE OF DELEGATED POWERS** (Pages 749 - 750)

Purpose: To provide details of actions taken under delegated powers.

FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME - COUNTY COUNCIL, CABINET, AUDIT AND OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY - FOR INFORMATION

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985 - TO CONSIDER THE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following item is considered to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph(s) 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The public interest in withholding the information outweighs the interest in disclosing it until such time as the contract has been awarded.

27 LEISURE, LIBRARIES, PLAY, AND MUSEUM SERVICES UPDATE REPORT (Pages 799 - 808)

Report of Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets - Cabinet Member for Education, Welsh Language and Culture

Purpose: To provide an update on developments and progress made since reports were last presented in May.

The following item is considered to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph(s) 14, 16 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The report contains details of the business affairs of the authority and advice in respect of which legal privilege could be claimed. The public interest in withholding the report outweighs the interest in disclosing the report.

28 DOMICILIARY AND RESIDENTIAL CARE BUDGET (Pages 809 - 814)

Report of Chief Officer (Social Services) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing

Purpose: To propose and discuss changes to the financial assessment and charging for Domiciliary Care and Residential Care Services.

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