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9 October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF HYBRID MEETING
CABINET
TUESDAY, 15TH OCTOBER, 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>

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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 7 - 16)

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

TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REPORTS

STRATEGIC REPORTS

4 **LDP ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT** (Pages 17 - 160)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Planning, Public Health and Public Protection

Purpose: To adopt the first Annual Monitoring Report following the adoption of the Local Development Plan to enable formal submission to Welsh Government.

5 **LDP SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE** (Pages 161 - 258)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Planning, Public Health and Public Protection

Purpose: To adopt three Supplementary Planning Notes relating to Extensions and Alterations, New Housing in the Open Countryside and the Conversion of Rural Buildings as formal supplementary planning guidance so that they can carry weight as a material planning consideration alongside the adopted Local Development Plan.

6 **INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF FLINTSHIRE HOMELESSNESS SERVICES** (Pages 259 - 336)

Report of Chief Officer (Housing and Communities) - Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities

Purpose: To provide an update on progress in relation to the Independent Review completed by Neil Morland and outline potential efficiencies through diversification of the Councils Homeless Accommodation Portfolio.

7 **REVIEW OF HIGHWAYS ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (HAMP) AND HIGHWAY AND CAR PARK INSPECTION POLICY** (Pages 337 - 500)

Report of Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation) - Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Purpose: To seek approval of the refreshed Highway Asset Management Plan (HAMP) and reviewed Highway and Car Park Inspection Policy.

8 **NEW BRIGHTON – ADOPTION OF A WELSH NAME** (Pages 501 - 508)

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

Purpose: To recommend the adoption of a Welsh name for New Brighton- Pentre Cythrel.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS

9 **REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2024/25 (MONTH 5)** (Pages 509 - 534)

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 5, and projects forward to year-end.

10 **STRATEGIC EQUALITY PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24** (Pages 535 - 596)

Report of Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets – Cabinet Member for Corporate Services

Purpose: To present the Strategic Equality Plan Annual Report 2023/24.

11 **UPDATE ON THE BUS NETWORK GRANT AND LOCAL BUS SERVICES IN FLINTSHIRE** (Pages 597 - 612)

Report of Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation) - Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Purpose: To provide an update on the funding arrangements for local bus services through the Bus Network Grant provided by Welsh Government and to inform members of the available options to address the £270k shortfall for local bus services in Flintshire, as well as a further pressure of £47k to address the shortfall of the Bus Network Grant across the wider north Wales region.

12 **RESPONSE TO THE AUDIT WALES REVIEW “URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE: FLOW OUT OF HOSPITAL – NORTH WALES REGION”** (Pages 613 - 668)

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

Purpose: To present findings and the council response to the Auditor General’s review of the arrangements to support effective flow out of hospital in the North Wales region detailed within “Urgent and Emergency Care: Flow out of Hospital – North Wales Region”.

13 **PROCUREMENT OF CLIENT INFORMATION SYSTEM** (Pages 669 - 672)

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

Purpose: To update on progress to procure a replacement client information system to the current system (Civica PARIS).

14 **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SAFEGUARDING HUB** (Pages 673 - 676)

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

Purpose: To update on progress of implementation which will ensure a full multi-agency approach and response to safeguarding.

15 **EXPANSION OF SPECIALIST EDUCATION PROVISION** (Pages 677 - 706)

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

Purpose: To advise on the outcome of the statutory consultation exercise to reorganise specialist education provision, to recommend to proceed with the proposal and allow for publication of a statutory notice providing a 28 day notice period for objections.

16 **EXPANSION OF SPECIALIST ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS RESOURCE PROVISION WITHIN THE SECONDARY EDUCATION NETWORK** (Pages 707 - 716)

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

Purpose: This report seeks COT support to progress Cabinet approval to the proposed expansion of specialist resource provision within the secondary education network.

17 **ADDITIONAL LICENSING FOR HOUSES OF MULTIPLE OCCUPATION** (Pages 717 - 722)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Planning, Public Health and Public Protection

Purpose: To request authority to undertake a consultation exercise to consider whether 'Additional Licensing' for smaller Houses of Multiple Occupation (HMO'S) should be introduced to the county as a whole.

18 **FOOD SERVICE PLAN 2024-25 FOR FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL** (Pages 723 - 766)

Report of Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy) - Cabinet Member for Planning, Public Health and Public Protection

Purpose: To approve the Food Service Plan 2024-25

19 **EXERCISE OF DELEGATED POWERS** (Pages 767 - 768)

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

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

20 **OFFICE RATIONALISATION PROGRAMME AND COUNTY HALL CAMPUS** (Pages 801 - 806)

Report of Corporate Manager – Capital Programme & Assets - Cabinet Member for Transformation and Assets

Purpose: To present a report outlining phases and indicative costs for the next focused piece of work.

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

The following appendices are considered to be exempt by virtue of Paragraph(s) 15 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

The appendices contain details relating to employment issues and the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information until such time as those issues have been resolved.

21 **CONFIDENTIAL APPENDICES TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER - OFFICE RATIONALISATION PROGRAMME AND COUNTY HALL CAMPUS** (Pages 807 - 810)

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 protecting their privacy outweighs the interest in disclosing the information.

22 **OUTSTANDING DEBT - WRITE OFF** (Pages 811 - 814)

Report of Chief Officer (Governance), Chief Officer (Streetscene and Transportation) - Cabinet Member for Corporate Services, Cabinet Member for Streetscene and Transportation

Purpose: To seek approval to write off the debt on ledger relating to Go Plant Fleet Services Ltd following the company's insolvency.

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