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Part A – Items considered in public

2 / 4313	Declarations of Interest	None.
3 / 4314	Minutes	That the minutes of the meetings be confirmed as a correct record.
4 / 4315	URGENT MATTERS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIR	None.
5 / 4316	Medium Term Financial Strategy and Budget 2025/26	<p>(a) That the revised additional budget requirement for the 2025/26 financial year be noted and received;</p> <p>(b) That the progress made to identify solutions to bridge the budget gap be noted, and the remaining options available to set a legal and balanced budget once the provisional settlement was confirmed also be noted;</p> <p>(c) That the uplift set out in the Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement be noted and welcomed; and</p> <p>(d) That a letter be sent to the Welsh and UK Governments setting out the Council's concern that a resolution to the Local Government Employers National Insurance contribution issue cannot be left until the spring and must be resolved before Local Authority budgets in Wales are set.</p>
6 / 4317	Consultation on the proposed new National Park for North East Wales	(a) That on the basis of the currently available information, Cabinet does not support the proposal to create a new National Park for North-East Wales; and

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		(b) That the final wording of the response appended to the report be delegated to the Cabinet Member for Economy, Environment and Climate in conjunction with the Chief Officer (Planning, Environment and Economy).
7 / 4318	De-carbonisation Strategy Update	That the delivery of the next phase of the capital investment programme to ensure compliance with the newly updated Welsh Housing Quality Standards requirements and the proposed De-carbonisation Strategy be supported.
8 / 4319	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2024/25 (Month 7)	<p>(a) That the estimated financial impact on the 2024/25 budget be noted;</p> <p>(b) That funding from the Contingency Reserve for illegal tipping costs be approved; and</p> <p>(c) That the measures being put in place to improve the financial position by the end of the financial year be supported.</p>
9 / 4320	Treasury Management Mid-Year Review 2024/25	That the draft Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2024/25 be recommended to County Council on 28 th January 2025 for final approval.
10 / 4321	Business Rates – Write Off	That the Business Rates write off totalling £30,427.45 for Cineworld Cinemas Limited be approved.
11 / 4322	Housing Rent Income Service – Change in Reporting Portfolio	That the Housing Rent Income service be transferred from the Governance portfolio to the Housing & Communities portfolio.
12 / 4323	Recommissioning of Housing Support Grant (HSG) Floating Support	That the re-commissioning / re-tendering of Flintshire’s Floating Support Services funded by the Housing Support Grant be approved.

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	Contracts	
13 / 4324	Cost Recovery for Supporting Public Events Affecting the Highway	<p>That in order to achieve the savings target set within the budget for 2024/25 by Council, the following be approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) the introduction of a formalised policy; and ii) the methodology for achieving full cost recovery for public events impacting or on the highway.
14 / 4325	Proposals by the Law Commission to Reform Burial and Cremation Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the proposed changes to burial and cremation law that are being consulted upon by the Law Commission be noted; and (b) That the submission of the proposed response to the public consultation on behalf of Flintshire County Council be approved.
15 / 4326	Flintshire and Wrexham Investment Zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the identified Tax Sites (Deeside Gateway, Warren Hall and Wrexham Industrial Estate) and Retained Rates Areas (Deeside Gateway and Wrexham Industrial Estate) be approved; (b) That the proposed Governance Model be approved; (c) That the Investment Zone Themes (Innovation, Skills and Transport) and the high-level interventions, which will be refined as part of Gateway 4, be approved; and (d) That a briefing session be arranged for all Members.

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16 / 4327	Social Services Care Inspectorate Wales, Performance Evaluation Inspection November 2023 – Action Plan Update	That the progress made in implementation the action plan be acknowledged and supported.
17 / 4328	Future of Integrated Community Mental Health Team (CMHT)	(a) That the proposals contained in the report be approved; and (b) That the process to achieve political support for the proposal be determined.
18 / 4329	Flying Start Childcare Expansion Flintshire Proposal	(a) That the Flying Start Phase 3 expansion be endorsed and supported, building upon the developments from Phase 1 and Phase 2, and the large and small capital schemes; and (b) That the inclusion of the three options be approved for inclusion in a Business Case to Welsh Government (WG) for future programme roll out. WG will base the future grant award on their availability of funding and the bids received from across Wales.
19 / 4330	Call-In Report - Residual Waste Collection Change Implementation and Policy Review	(a) That the decision of the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee call-in meeting regarding Record No. 4307 be noted; and (b) That the previous decision of Cabinet be amended to include the comments received at the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Household Recycling Centres and the vehicle permit policy (details of the amendment were shown in appendix 2 to the report).
20	EXERCISE OF DELEGATED	Noted.

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

That the press and public be excluded for the remainder of the meeting for the following items by virtue of exempt information under paragraph(s) 14 and 15 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

21 / 4331	Strategic Transformation Programme	<p>(a) That the criteria used to determine which projects qualified for inclusion into the Strategic Transformation Programme (STP) be approved; and</p> <p>(b) That the five projects, each having met the criteria, be approved for inclusion in the STP.</p>
22 / 4332	Cambrian Aquatics	That additional financial support to Cambrian Aquatics be approved, subject to an assessment of compliance with subsidy control legislation and in alignment with the conditions discussed during the meeting.