

**Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Cabinet on Tuesday, 19 November 2024**

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**Part A – Items considered in public**

<b>2 / 4298</b>	Declarations of Interest	None.
<b>3 / 4299</b>	Minutes	That the minutes of the meetings be confirmed as a correct record.
<b>4 / 4300</b>	Housing Revenue Account (HRA) 30 Year Financial Business Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the HRA budget for 2025/26, as set out in the report, be considered;</li> <li>(b) That the proposed minimum rent increase of 2.7% be approved;</li> <li>(c) That the garage rent increase of 2.7% be approved;</li> <li>(d) That an increase in service charges to full cost recovery be approved;</li> <li>(e) That the pressures and efficiencies detailed in the appendix be noted; and</li> <li>(f) That the proposed HRA Capital Programme for 2025/26 be approved.</li> </ul>
<b>5 / 4301</b>	Capital Programme 2025/26 – 2027/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the allocations and schemes in Table 3 for the Statutory / Regulatory and Retained Assets sections of the Council Fund Capital Programme 2025/26 – 2027/28 be approved;</li> <li>(b) That the schemes included in Table 4 for the Investment section of the Council Fund Capital Programme 2025/26-2027/28 be approved;</li> <li>(c) That the shortfall in funding of schemes in 2027/28 in Table 5 (although there are surplus in years prior), be noted; and</li> </ul>

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		(d) That the schemes included in Table 6 for the specifically funded section of the Council's Fund Capital Programme which will be funded in part through borrowing be approved.
<b>6 / 4302</b>	Capital Strategy including Prudential Indicators 2025/26 – 2027/28	<p>(a) That the Capital Strategy be approved and recommended to County Council; and</p> <p>(b) That Cabinet approve and recommend to County Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Prudential Indicators for 2025/26 – 2027/28 as detailed within Tables 1, and 4-8 of the Capital Strategy</li> <li>• Delegated authority for the Corporate Finance Manager to effect movements between the separately agreed limits within the authorised limit for external debt and the operational boundary for external debt (Table 6 of the Capital Strategy).</li> </ul>
<b>7 / 4303</b>	Intensive Housing Management Solutions for Homeless Accommodation	<p>(a) That the work undertaken to identify potential providers of an intensive housing management service for homeless accommodation be noted;</p> <p>(b) That the outcome of the Prior Information Notice (PIN) by way of testing the market be noted; and</p> <p>(c) That the direct award to D2 PropCo be approved, to engage them as a partner to provide an intensive housing management solution for homeless accommodation.</p>
<b>8 / 4304</b>	Revenue Budget Monitoring 2024/25 (Month 6)	<p>(a) That the report and the estimated financial impact on the 2024/25 budget be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That the measures being considered for inclusion towards improving the financial</p>

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		position by the end of the financial year be noted.
<b>9 / 4305</b>	Capital Programme Monitoring 2024/25 (Month 6)	(a) That the overall report be approved; (b) That the carry forward adjustments be approved; and (c) That the additional allocations approved by Cabinet on 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 be noted.
<b>10 / 4306</b>	Council Tax Base for 2025/26	(a) That the tax base of 66,458 band D equivalent properties for tax setting purposes for the financial year 2025/26 which incorporates the planned uplift to the rates from 75% to 100% to the rates for Long Term Empty Properties and the continuation of the 100% premium for Second Homes be approved; and (b) That a 'nil' discount for properties falling within any of the Prescribed Classes (A, B or C) continue to be set which would apply to the whole of the county area.
<b>11 / 4307</b>	Residual Waste Collection Change Implementation and Policy Review	(a) That the proposed implementation date for the residual waste collection frequency change already approved, be approved; (b) That the proposed implementation plan be noted, and the work undertaken to date be supported; (c) That the communication plan be noted; (d) That the updated Recycling and Household Collections and Household Recycling

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		<p>Centre Operations Policy to reflect the previously approved changes to services be noted; and</p> <p>(e) That the updated Household Recycling Centre Vehicle Permit Policy to be published following the adoption of revised procedures put in place to support customers with disabilities who may need to access the HRCs using their vehicles be noted.</p>
<b>12 / 4308</b>	Self Evaluation of Flintshire Education Services	<p>(a) That the outcome of the Education Portfolio’s annual self-evaluation report on the quality of education services for the period 2023/24 be noted; and</p> <p>(b) That any observations on the report be provided to the Portfolio Team.</p>
<b>13 / 4309</b>	Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Annual Letter 2023-24 and half-year complaints performance 2024-25	<p>(a) That the positive annual performance of the Council in respect of complaints made to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales during 2023-24 be noted;</p> <p>(b) That the half year performance of the Council (2024-25) in respect of complaints received in line with the Council’s Concerns and Complaints policy be noted; and</p> <p>(c) That the priorities outlined in the report be supported.</p>
<b>14 / 4310</b>	Bromborough plastics – Update report	That the write off debt be approved.

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

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<b>15 / 4311</b>	School Improvement Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the complexities in creating a new local authority model for school improvement services within the expected timescales with some critical information not yet available be acknowledged;</li> <li>(b) That Members confirm their confidence in the draft model being presented to ensure ongoing and effective support for Flintshire schools to ensure the best outcomes for learners;</li> <li>(c) That Members accept that the model has to be flexible and will be subject to changes being made by the senior officers of the Education Portfolio as progress is made towards the April 2025 deadline; and</li> <li>(d) That any feedback and comments be provided, to inform the development of the model.</li> </ul>
<b>16 / 4312</b>	Procurement of Client Information System – Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) That the continued and evolving involvement in the production of the national business case and the national groups underpinning the Connecting Care programme;</li> <li>(b) That approval be given to proceed to Contract award stage and the ensuring financial commitment; and</li> <li>(c) That the proposals to begin the implementation of the new system after the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026 be agreed, with full implementation completed by the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2028.</li> </ul>