

To: Members of the Performance

**Scrutiny Committee** 

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## **Dear Councillor**

You are invited to attend a meeting of the PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE to be held at 9.30 am on THURSDAY, 12 JANUARY 2012 in CONFERENCE ROOM 1A, COUNTY HALL, RUTHIN.

Yours sincerely

G. Williams Head of Legal and Democratic Services

# **AGENDA**

# PART 1 - THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THIS PART OF THE MEETING

## 1 APOLOGIES

# 2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interests in any business identified to be considered at this meeting.

# 3 URGENT MATTERS AS AGREED BY THE CHAIR

Notice of items which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

# 4 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- (i) Minutes of a special meeting of the Performance Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2011 (copy enclosed).
- (ii) Minutes of a meeting of the Performance Scrutiny Committee held on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2011 (copy enclosed).

## **PART II - CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

It is recommended in accordance with Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business because it is likely that exempt information (as defined in Paragraph 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Act) would be disclosed.

#### 5 SCHOOLS IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

To consider a confidential report by the Education Finance Manager (copy enclosed) which details the current schools in financial difficulty and outlines the procedure for supporting the schools.

9.35 a.m.

#### **PART I - OPEN SESSION**

# 6 EXAMINATION RESULTS AT KEY STAGE 4 AND POST 16

To consider a report by the School Effectiveness Performance Officer: Secondary (copy enclosed) which provides information on the performance of Denbighshire schools' external examinations results at Key Stage 4 and Post 16.

10.10 a.m.

## **Comfort Break**

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# 7 CARE HOME FEES

To consider a confidential report by the Head of Adult and Business Services (copy enclosed) which outlines a revised methodology for setting a fair rate for care home fees in collaboration with Wrexham and Flintshire Councils, in line with the Welsh Government's guidance on commissioning adult social care services.

11.00 a.m.

# **PART I - OPEN SESSION**

## 8 HIGHWAYS AND INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL WORKS 2011/12

To consider a report by the Joint Head of Highways and Infrastructure (copy to follow) which details the highway improvements and street works programme, including accessibility through adequate provision of dropped kerbs.

11.25 a.m.

#### **Break for Lunch**

# 9 ENERGY EFFICIENCY

To consider a report by the Head of Finance and Assets (copy enclosed) which provides an overview of the Council's progress in becoming more energy efficient.

2.00 p.m.

## 10 FINANCE REPORT

To consider a report by the Head of Finance and Assets (copy enclosed) which provides an update on the progress of the Council's revenue budget and the efficiency savings programme.

2.35 p.m.

# 11 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

To consider a report by the Scrutiny Coordinator (copy enclosed) seeking a review of the Committee's Forward Work Programme and updating Members on relevant issues.

3.10 p.m.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

# Councillors

Peter Duffy
Michael Eckersley
Gwilym Evans
Bobby Feeley
George Green
Colin Hughes
Rhys Hughes
Huw Jones
David Lee
Lucy Morris

Ian Gunning

# **Voting Co-opted Members for Education (Agenda Item No. 5 and 6)**

Ms C. Burgess Mrs. G. Greenland M Dr. D. Marjoram s. D. Houghton Mr. J. Saxon

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