

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, 15 JANUARY 2015** 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 (Pages 5 - 6)

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 LAST MEETING (Pages 7 - 14)

To receive the minutes of the Performance Scrutiny Committee meeting held on the 20 November 2014 (copy attached).

9.35 a.m. – 9.40 a.m.

5 VERIFIED EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS AND TEACHER ASSESSMENTS
(Pages 15 - 36)

To consider a report by the School Effectiveness Performance Officer: Secondary (copy attached) to review the performance of schools and that of looked after children; and GwE's impact on the educational attainment of the County's powers.

9.40 a.m. – 10.10 a.m.

6 NOT IN EDUCATION OR EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING (NEET) (Pages 37 - 48)

To consider a report by the Head of Education (copy attached) to detail the measures being taken to deal with the number of pupils in the County which are "not in education, employment or training" (NEET).

10.10 a.m. – 10.40 a.m.

7 PERFORMANCE IN RELATION TO MEETING THE NEW LIBRARY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (Pages 49 - 60)

To consider a report by the Head of Communication, Marketing and Leisure to review the new Library Performance Standards – "Libraries are making a difference".

10.40 a.m. -11.10 a.m.

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**8 STREET NAMING POLICY** (Pages 61 - 64)

To consider a report by the Corporate Director: Customers / Corporate Research and Intelligence Co-ordinator to consider the progress made with the implementation of the new Policy.

**11.25 a.m. – 11.55 a.m.**

**9 CORPORATE PLAN (Q1 AND Q2) 2014/2015** (Pages 65 - 142)

To consider a report by the Corporate Improvement Officer (copy attached) which provides the Council's progress in delivering the Corporate Plan 2012–17 (with particular emphasis on the delivery of the Outcome Agreements)

**11.55 a.m. – 12.25 p.m.**

**10 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 143 - 162)

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.

**12.25 p.m. – 12.35 p.m.**

## **11 FEEDBACK FROM COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES**

To receive any updates from Committee representatives on various Council Boards and Groups.

**12.35 p.m. – 12.40 p.m.**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Councillors**

Councillor David Simmons (Chair)

Councillor Arwel Roberts (Vice-Chair)

Meirick Davies

Peter Owen

Richard Davies

Dewi Owens

Colin Hughes

Gareth Sandilands

Geraint Lloyd-Williams

#### **Voting Co-opted Members for Education (Agenda Item Nos. 5 & 6 only)**

Gill Greenland

Dr D Marjoram

Debra Houghton

Gareth Williams

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