

To: Members of the Corporate
Governance and Audit Committee

Date: 2 July 2020

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a remote meeting of the **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE** to be held at **9.30 am** on **WEDNESDAY, 8 JULY 2020** .

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE CURRENT RESTRICTIONS ON TRAVEL AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING THIS MEETING WILL NOT BE HELD AT ITS USUAL LOCATION. THIS WILL BE A REMOTE MEETING BY VIDEO CONFERENCE AND NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Yours sincerely

G. Williams
Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services

AGENDA

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

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 (Pages 7 - 14)

To receive the minutes of the Corporate Governance Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 8 July 2020 (copy enclosed).

5 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2019-20 (Pages 15 - 34)

To receive a report by the Chief Internal Auditor (copy enclosed) on the Annual Governance Statement 2019-20, which provided the committee with the opportunity to comment on this year's annual governance statement separately to the Statement of accounts so that it may be given due consideration.

9:35am – 9:50am

6 INTERNAL AUDIT OF CONTRACT MANAGEMENT (Pages 35 - 52)

To receive a report by the Chief Internal Auditor (copy enclosed) on the recent Internal Audit report of Contract Management that received a 'Low' assurance rating.

9:50am – 10:10am.

7 INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2019-20 (Pages 53 - 78)

To receive a report by the Chief Internal Auditor (copy enclosed) on the Internal Audit Annual Report for 2019-20 that provides the Chief Internal Auditor's overall opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Council's framework of governance, risk and control during the year that informs the 'annual governance statement'

11:10am – 11:25am

8 INTERNAL AUDIT STRATEGY 2020- 21 AND AUDIT CHARTER (Pages 79 - 106)

To consider a report by the Chief internal Officer (copy enclosed) providing the committee with the Internal Audit Charter and Strategy for 2020-21.

11:25am – 11:45am

9 DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2019/20 (Pages 107 - 240)

To receive a report by the Head of Finance and Property (copy enclosed) to provide an overview of the draft Statement of Accounts 2019/20 and the process underpinning it.

11:45am – 12:05pm

10 ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT (Pages 241 - 272)

To receive a report by the Head of Finance & Property (copy enclosed) on the Annual Treasury Management and Treasury management update about the Council's investment and borrowing activity during 2019/20. It also provides details of the economic climate during that time and shows how the Council complied with its Prudential Indicators, and the details of the Council's TM activities during 2020/21 to date.

12:05pm – 12:25pm

11 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY (Pages 273 - 288)

A report for information from Audit Wales on the Financial Sustainability Assessment (copy enclosed).

12:25pm – 12:45pm

12 2018-19 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER - FOR INFORMATION (Pages 289 - 296)

To receive information from Welsh Audit on the Annual Audit Letter for Denbighshire County Council 2019-2020, from Audit Wales (copy enclosed).

12:45pm – 12:55pm

13 2020 AUDIT PLAN AND SUPPLEMENTARY COVID-19 LETTER - FOR INFORMATION (Pages 297 - 316)

To receive a report for information from Audit Wales on the 2020 Audit plan and a supplementary Covid 19 letter (copy enclosed)

12:55pm – 1:05pm

14 2018-19 GRANTS REPORT - FOR INFORMATION (Pages 317 - 332)

To receive a report for information on the 2018-19 grants report by Audit Wales (copy enclosed)

1:05pm – 1:15pm

15 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE - INFORMATION REPORT (Pages 333 - 356)

To consider a report by the Head of Internal Audit (copy enclosed) updating members on Internal Audit progress.

1:15pm – 1:25pm

16 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 357 - 360)

To consider the committee's forward work programme (copy enclosed).

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Mabon ap Gwynfor
Tony Flynn
Martyn Holland

Alan James
Barry Mellor
Joe Welch

Lay Member

Paul Whitham

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