

To: Members of the Governance and

Audit Committee

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Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE to be held at 9.30 am on WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 2022 in COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, RUTHIN AND BY VIDEO CONFERENCE..

Yours sincerely

G. Williams Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services

AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES

2 APPOINTMENT OF VICE - CHAIR

To appoint a Vice Chair of the Governance and Audit Committee for the ensuing year.

3 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** (Pages 5 - 6)

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

4 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.

5 MINUTES (Pages 7 - 16)

To receive the minutes of the Governance and Audit Committee meeting held on 8th June 2022 (copy enclosed).

6 AUDIT WALES REPORT - SPRINGING FORWARD (Pages 17 - 46)

To consider the Audit Wales Springing Forward report and subsequent management response (copy attached).

7 CERTIFICATION OF GRANTS AND RETURNS 2020-21 DENBIGHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL (Pages 47 - 60)

To consider a report prepared by Audit Wales (AW) setting out a summary of the key outcomes from AW certification work on the Council's 2020/21 grants and returns (copy attached).

8 RIPA ANNUAL REPORT (Pages 61 - 100)

To receive the annual report on the Council's use of its powers of surveillance under RIPA (Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000) (copy attached).

9 DRAFT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2021-22 (Pages 101 - 252)

To receive a report by the Head of Finance and Property (copy attached) to provide an update of the draft Statement of Accounts 2021/22 and the process underpinning it.

10 ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT (Pages 253 - 292)

To receive a report by the Head of Finance & Property (copy attaced) on the Annual Treasury Management and Treasury management (TM) update about the Council's investment and borrowing activity during 2021/22. 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 2022/23 to date.

11 GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 293 - 296)

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

FOR INFORMATION

12 AUDIT ENQUIRIES 2021/22 (Pages 297 - 326)

To receive for information, the Audit Enquiries Letter and the Council's response to those enquiries (copy attached).

MEMBERSHIP

Councillors

Ellie Chard Hugh Evans Justine Evans Carol Holliday Merfyn Parry Elfed Williams

Lay Member

Nigel Rudd David Stewart

Paul Whitham

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