

CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2020 AT 10.00 A.M.

PRESENT:

Councillors: M. Adams, E. Aldworth, J. Gale, C. Mann, B. Miles, T. Parry, M. Sargent (Chair), G. Simmonds, J. Simmonds and N. Yates – Lay Member (Vice-Chair).

Officers: S. Harris (Head of Financial Services and S151 Officer), D. Gronow (Acting Internal Audit Manager), R. Roberts (Business Improvement Manager), R. Tranter (Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer) and A. Dredge (Committee Services Officer).

G. Hawkins and B. Morris (Grant Thornton – External Auditors).

G. Jones (Audit Wales).

APOLOGIES:

Councillors: J. Bevan, C. Cuss, D. Hardacre, E. Stenner (Cabinet Member for Finance, Performance and Customer Services), R. Edmunds (Corporate Director for Education and Corporate Services) and N. Jenkins (Audit Wales).

The decisions and declarations of interest are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant report.

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
1.	To appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Audit Committee for the ensuing year.	Councillor M. Sargent be appointed as Chair for the ensuing year. N. Yates – Lay Member be appointed as Vice-Chair for the ensuing year.	Unanimous Unanimous
2.	Apologies for absence.	As recorded above.	
3.	Declarations of Interest.	There were no declarations made.	
4.	Minutes of the Audit Committee held on 28th January 2020.	Approved as a correct record.	Unanimous
5.	Audit Committee Forward Work Programme.	RESOLVED that subject to Annual Refresher Training be added for a date to be convened, the Audit Committee Forward Work Programme, be noted.	Unanimous
6.	Financial Statements for 2019/20 - verbal update from Grant Thornton.	Noted.	
7.	Annual Internal Audit Report 2019/20.	RESOLVED that for the reasons contained therein, the contents of the Report, be noted.	Unanimous
8.	Audit Wales 2020 Audit Plan and Update Letters - Caerphilly County Borough Council.	RESOLVED that the contents of the Audit Plan and Update Letters, be noted.	Unanimous

9.	Internal Audit Services Annual Audit Plan 2020/21 (1/10/20 TO 31/3/21).	RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted and the Internal Audit Services Annual Audit Plan 2020/21, be approved.	Unanimous
10.	Financial Sustainability Assessment - Caerphilly County Borough Council.	RESOLVED that the contents of the report and presentation, be noted.	Unanimous
11.	Financial Sustainability of Local Government as a result of the Covid - 19 Pandemic.	RESOLVED that the contents of the report and presentation, be noted.	Unanimous
The Following information items had not been called forward for discussion at the meeting:			
12.	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.	Noted.	
13.	Officers Declarations of Gifts and Hospitality.	Noted.	

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