GWYNEDD COUNCIL AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

(Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended by the Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Meetings) (Wales) Regulations 2020)

14 October 2021

Virtual Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Chair: Councillor John Pughe Roberts

Alwyn Gruffydd, Medwyn Hughes Peredur Jenkins, Aled Wyn Jones, Berwyn P Jones, Huw W Jones, Dewi Roberts, Paul Rowlinson, Angela Russell and Gethin Glyn Williams

Sharon Warnes (Lay Member)

Officers:

Dafydd Edwards (Head of Finance Department), Dewi Morgan (Assistant Head - Revenue and Risk), Ffion Madog Evans (Senior Finance Manager), Luned Fôn Jones (Audit Manager), Siân Pugh (Group Accountant - Corporate and Projects), Caren Rees Jones (Group Accountant - Capital and Management), Aron John (Professional Trainee - Finance), Caleb Elis (Professional Trainee - Finance and Accounting), Geraint Owen (Head of Corporate Support Department), Ian Jones (Assistant Head of Corporate Support Department), Alun Lloyd Williams (Senior Learning and Development Officer), Arwel Evans (Procurement Manager), Dewi W Jones (Council Business Support Service Manager) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer)

Others invited:

Councillor Ioan Thomas (Cabinet Member for Finance)
Alan Hughes (Audit Wales)
Yvonne Thomas (Audit Wales)
Derwyn Owen (Audit Wales)
Bethan Adams (Scrutiny Advisor)

Apologies:

Councillors Aled LI. Evans, Selwyn Griffiths, John Brynmor Hughes and Nia Jeffreys (Cabinet Member for Corporate Support)

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SUBJECT

Item 5: FINAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021 AND RELEVANT AUDIT

DECISION:

- To accept and approve the 'ISA260' report by Audit Wales in respect of Gwynedd Council
- To accept and approve the Statement of Accounts for 2020/21 (post-audit)
- The Chair of the Committee and the Head of Finance Department to certify the Letter of Representation electronically

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 6: REVENUE BUDGET 2021/22 - END OF AUGUST 2021 REVIEW

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To note the situation and the relevant risks in the context of the Council's budgets and its departments

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 7: CAPITAL BUDGET 2021/22 - END OF AUGUST 2021 REVIEW

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To take note of the situation and the relevant risks in the context of the Council's capital programme

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 8: SAVINGS OVERVIEW: PROGRESS REPORT ON REALISING SAVINGS SCHEMES

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To note the situation and the relevant risks in the context of the Savings Overview

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 9: OUTPUT OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT SECTION

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To support the actions that have already been agreed with the relevant services

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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SUBJECT

Item 10: INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2021/22

DECISION:

• To accept the report, noting the progress made against the audit plan 2021/22

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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SUBJECT

Item 11: OVERVIEW OF THE APPRENTICESHIPS PROJECT

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To request an update on the Joint Apprenticeships work with local companies and contractors when it has been developed

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	12
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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SUBJECT

Item 12: KEEPING THE BENEFIT LOCAL

DECISION:

- To accept the report, noting the progress made with the project which has been recognised as one of the priority projects within the Council's Plan
- Request for an update once the Innovative Procurement Social Value Procurement Model workstream has received more contracts

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	11
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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SUBJECT

Item 13: RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENT FROM EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS

DECISION:

- To accept the report
- To accept that appropriate governance arrangements and processes are in place in order to ensure that improvement proposals which arise from external audit reports are implemented.
- To ensure the matter is addressed by the Scrutiny Committees and Officers

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

In favour	11
Against	0
Abstentions	0

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS