

GWYNEDD COUNCIL GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE DECISION NOTICE

Section 100C of the Local Government Act 1972

11 September 2025

Virtual Meeting

Attendance: Chair: Carys Edwards
Vice-chair: Rhys Parry

Councillors: Menna Baines, Dafydd Meurig, Elfed Wyn ap Elwyn, Elwyn Jones, Edgar Wyn Owen, Arwyn Herald Roberts, Angela Russell and Ioan Thomas

LayMembers: Eifion Jones, Dewi Lewis, Peter Barnes and Paul Mills

Officers: Dewi Morgan (Head of Finance), Ffion Madog Evans (Assistant Head of Finance - Accounting and Pensions), Delyth Jones-Thomas (Investment Manager), Caren Rees Jones (Group Accountant - Capital and Management), David Lloyd Williams (Group Accountant), Dewi Wyn Jones (Council Business Support Service Manager) and Lowri Haf Evans (Democracy Services Officer)

Others invited: Cllr Huw Wyn Jones (Cabinet Member for Finance)

Item 10: Carwyn Rees, Lora Gwawr and Sioned Owen (Audit Wales)

Item 11: Ian Jones (Head of Corporate Services Department) Catrin Love (Assistant Head – Corporate Services) and Mari Powell (Support Services Manager)

Item 12: Iwan Evans (Head of Legal Services)

Apologies:

Councillors Huw Rowlands, Meryl Roberts and Richard Glyn

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Item 5: IMPLEMENTING THE DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE

DECISION:

- To accept the contents of the report.
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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**Item 6: CYNGOR GWYNEDD'S ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR
2024/25**

DECISION:

- **To accept the (draft) Annual Governance Statement**
- **To accept the (draft) Annual Governance Statement Action Plan.**
- **To approve the Statement, and recommend that the Council Leader and Chief Executive sign it.**

Note:

- Amend the current Finance risk score from 20 to 15 in the Welsh version of the report, point 4.2
 - The context of the 'culture' risk refers to the fundamental principles of Ffordd Gwynedd
 - Request for further information to ensure that arrangements are in place to improve services
 - Request for the Council Tax Collection Rates report to highlight the housing premium
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THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

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| In favour | 13 |
| Against | 0 |
| Abstentions | 1 |

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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Item 7: STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2024/25 (SUBJECT TO AUDIT)

DECISION:

To accept and note the Council's Statement of Accounts (subject to audit) for 2024/25.

Note:

Request more information about the FMG Morgan Trust Fund

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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Item 8: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE 2024/25

DECISION:

To accept the report and approve the Annual Report

Note: Budget Setting. Remove bullet point 28 prior to the submission of the final report to the Full Council, 2 October 2025

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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Item 9: TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2024/25

DECISION:

To accept the report

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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**Item 10: AUDIT WALES REPORTS - Q1 UPDATE AND REPORT ON STRATEGIC
MANAGEMENT OF BALANCES AND RESERVES**

DECISION:

- **To accept the Audit Wales Work Programme Quarter 1**
- **To accept the Wales Report – Strategic Management of Balances and Reserves**

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Item 11: COMPLAINTS AND SERVICE IMPROVEMENT ANNUAL REPORT

DECISION:

To accept the report and note the information

Note: Check whether social housing complaints are part of the complaints process

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

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Item 12: REVIEW OF THE DELEGATION SCHEME

DECISION:

To accept the report supporting proposed amendments to the Officers' Scheme of Delegation relating to the acquisition and disposal of land and recommends that the Full Council approve the amendments.

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.

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Item 13: THE COMMITTEE'S FORWARD PROGRAMME

DECISION:

To accept the work programme for October 2025 – September 2026

THE RESULT OF THE VOTE

Unanimously accepted

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST AND PROTOCOL MATTERS

No declarations of personal interest or relevant dispensations were received.
