# **Governance and Audit Committee**

Meeting Venue By Zoom

Meeting Date Friday, 1 March 2024

Meeting Time 10.00 am Powys

County Hall Llandrindod Wells Powys LD1 5LG

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Mae croeso i chi siarad yn Gymraeg neu yn Saesneg yn y cyfarfod. Rhowch wybod pa iaith rydych am ei defnyddio erbyn hanner dydd, ddau ddiwrnod gwaith cyn y cyfarfod.

You are welcome to speak Welsh or English in the meeting.

Please inform us of which language you wish to use by noon, two working days before the meeting.

# AGENDA

1.	APOLOGIES
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To receive apologies for absence.

2. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

To receive any disclosures of interest by Members relating to items to be considered at the meeting.

- (i) To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held as follows as a correct record:
  - 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

(ii) To receive and consider the Action Log.

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#### Audit Wales

# 4. AUDIT WALES - WORK PROGRAMME & TIMETABLE

To receive the Work Programme and Timetable from Audit Wales. (Pages 29 - 60)

#### SWAP Items

# 5. INTERNAL AUDIT QUARTERLY UPDATE

To receive and consider the Internal Audit Quarterly Update.

(Pages 61 - 74)

#### 6. PLANNING PROCESS DOCUMENT

To receive and consider the Planning Process Document.

(Pages 75 - 80)

#### 7. SUPPLEMENTARY PAYMENTS

To receive and consider report on the Supplementary Payments.

(Pages 81 - 84)

#### **Corporate Items**

# 8. STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT QUARTER 3 REPORT

To receive and consider the report of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Corporate Transformation.

(Pages 85 - 120)

# 9. CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING BOARD ACTIVITY REPORT

To receive and consider the report of the Director of Social Services.

(Pages 121 - 126)

# 10. RISK ASSURANCE - PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS

To receive and consider an update from the Professional Lead – Procurement and Commercial Services.

(Pages 127 - 132)

# 11. SELF-ASSESSMENT ACTION PLAN UPDATE

(Pages 133 - 134)

# 12. DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE - WHISTLEBLOWING

To receive a draft Terms of Reference in regard to Whistleblowing. (To Follow)

#### **Risk Deep Dive**

# 13. FRAUD - IAWARD0009

To receive a presentation on the Fraud Risk deep dive.

#### 14. WORKING GROUPS

To receive verbal updates from the Chairs of the Working Groups:

- HTR
- HOWPS
- Capital
- Internal Audit

#### 15. WORK PROGRAMME

To consider the forward work programme (attached) and consider whether any additional items should be included.

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RESOLVE to exclude the public for the following item of business on the grounds that there would be disclosure to them of exempt information under category 3 of The Local Authorities (Access to Information) (Variation) (Wales) Order 2007).

The Monitoring Officer has determined that category 3 of the Access to Information Procedure Rules applies to the following item. His view on the public interest test (having taken account of the provisions of Rule 14.8 of the Council's Access to Information Rules) was that to make this information public would disclose information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

These factors in his view outweigh the public interest in disclosing this information. Members are asked to consider these factors when determining the public interest test, which they must decide when considering excluding the public from this part of the meeting.

#### 17. REGULATORY TRACKER QUARTER 2 UPDATE

To receive and consider the report of the Leader and Cabinet Member for an Open and Transparent Powys.

(Pages 141 - 148)

#### Committee Reflection

Following the close of the meeting, the Committee is asked to take 5 to 10 minutes to reflect on today's meeting.