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THIS IS A MEETING WHICH THE PUBLIC ARE ENTITLED TO ATTEND

3rd March 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Governance & Audit Committee will be held via Microsoft Teams (if you would like to view this meeting please contact committee.services@blaenau-gwent.gov.uk) on Wednesday, 8th March, 2023 at 10.00 am.

Yours faithfully



Damien McCann
Interim Chief Executive

AGENDA

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1. SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION

You are welcome to use Welsh at the meeting, a minimum notice period of 3 working days is required should you wish to do so. A simultaneous translation service will be provided if requested.

2. APOLOGIES

To receive.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS**

To receive.

4. **GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE** 5 - 8

To receive the decisions of the Governance & Audit Committee held on 30th January, 2023.

(Please note the decisions are submitted for points of accuracy only).

5. **ACTION SHEET** 9 - 10

To receive the Action Sheet arising from the meeting held on 30th January, 2023.

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To consider the report of the Corporate Director Education.

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To consider the report of the Chief Officer Commercial and Customer.

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To consider the report of the Chief Officer Resources.

10. **AUDIT WALES: CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING FOLLOW-UP – BLAENAU GWENT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL** 65 - 126

To consider the report of the Interim Corporate Director Social Services,

11. **AUDIT WALES: 'A MISSED OPPORTUNITY' – SOCIAL ENTERPRISES** 127 - 182

To consider the report of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Community and Interim Corporate Director Social Services.

12. **AUDIT WALES: SPRINGING FORWARD – BLAENAU GWENT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL** 183 - 210

To consider the joint officers report.

13. **AUDIT WALES: 'TIME FOR CHANGE' – POVERTY IN WALES** 211 - 266

To consider the report of the Interim Corporate Director Social Services.

14. **AUDIT WALES: 'TOGETHER WE CAN' COMMUNITY RESILIENCE AND SELF-RELIANCE** 267 - 322

To consider the report of the Chief Officer Commercial and Customer and the Head of Governance and Partnerships.

To: J. Absalom (Chair)
Councillor S. Behr (Vice-Chair)
Councillor J. Gardner
Councillor W. Hodgins
Councillor C. Smith
Councillor T. Smith
Councillor J. Wilkins
M. Veale

All other Members (for information)
Interim Chief Executive
Chief Officers