



MERTHYR TYDFIL
County Borough Council
Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol
MERTHYR TUDFUL

MINUTES OF MEETING

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY, 8TH DECEMBER, 2014

PRESENT: Councillor Richard Thomas (In the Chair)

Councillors: G Jones, T Chaplin, C T Jones and K Moran

Lay Member:

D Gibby

Officers:

Gareth Chapman (Chief Executive), Gary Evans (Audit Manager), Lisa Jones (Interim HR Manager) and Kerry O'Donovan (Corporate Risk and Sustainability Manager)

Outside Bodies:

Kevin Williams (PricewaterhouseCoopers)

Mair Morgan (Scrutiny / Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
793	Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor G Davies, Councillor G Lewis, Councillor T C Lewis and Councillor B E Mansbridge.
794	Declarations of Interest	No Declarations of Interest were made.
795	Action Schedule	Gary Evans referred to the Action Schedule and updated the Committee. Questions were then raised on the schedule and were answered in detail by the Chief Executive and Gary Evans.

796	Update on progress in managing the Council's Corporate Risks for 2014/2015	<p>The Chair welcomed the Chief Executive and Kerry O'Donovan to the Meeting.</p> <p>The Chief Executive referred to the Update on Progress in Managing the Council's Corporate Risks for 2014-15 report and updated the Committee in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk No 1 – Failing to contain Council spending within the set budget • Risk No 5 – Failing to meet Statutory Requirements, Laws and Regulations • Risk No 9 – Inability to maintain and build a reputation that the Council can deliver excellent services, better outcomes for citizens and significant organisational change <p>The Chair then adjourned the Meeting for five Minutes.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Committee on the Risks and were answered in detail by the Chief Executive.</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The update on progress in managing the Council's Corporate Risks that the Chief Executive is leading on for 2014-15 be received.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked the Chief Executive for attending and the update to the Committee.</p>
797	Update on the HR21 Time Management System	<p>The Chair welcomed Lisa Jones to the Meeting.</p> <p>Lisa Jones then led the Committee in detail through the update report.</p> <p>Questions were then raised by the Committee and were answered in detail by Lisa Jones and the Chief Executive.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked Lisa Jones for attending and the update to the Committee.</p>
798	Annual Audit Letter - Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council 2013-14	<p>The Chair welcomed Kevin Williams - PriceWaterhouseCoopers to the Meeting.</p> <p>Kevin Williams referred the Committee to the Annual Audit Letter and responded in detail to the questions raised by the Panel.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked Kevin Williams for attending and the update to the Committee.</p>
799	Budget Monitoring 2014/15 - Mid Year Position	<p>The Chair referred the Committee to the Budget Monitoring 2014/15 – Mid Year Position report and advised that if the Committee had further questions that they be forwarded to the Chief Finance Officer.</p>

		<p>Resolved that:</p> <p>The Revenue and Capital budget outturn projections for 2014/15 be noted.</p>
800	Scrutiny and Audit Chairs Liaison Group update	The Chair advised that there was no update on this item.
801	Any other business deemed urgent by the Chair	The Chair advised that there were no items deemed urgent.