

## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER 2015, 2.30 PM  
COMMITTEE ROOM 1, TOWN HALL, CHORLEY

### **AGENDA**

#### **APOLOGIES**

##### **1 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda.

If you have a pecuniary interest you must withdraw from the meeting. Normally you should leave the room before the business starts to be discussed. You do, however, have the same right to speak as a member of the public and may remain in the room to enable you to exercise that right and then leave immediately. In either case you must not seek to improperly influence a decision on the matter.

##### **2 MINUTES**

(Pages 3 - 10)

To confirm the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting held on 24 June 2015 (enclosed)

##### **3 EXTERNAL AUDIT FINDING REPORT 2014/15**

Report of the External Auditors (to follow)

##### **4 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 2014/15**

Report of Chief Finance Officer (to follow)

##### **5 INTERNAL AUDIT INTERIM REPORT AS AT 28 AUGUST 2015**

(Pages 11 - 18)

Report of the Head of Shared assurance Services (enclosed)

##### **6 TREASURY STRATEGY AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS 2015/16**

Report of Chief Finance Officer (to follow)

##### **7 CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING POLICY 2015/16**

(Pages 19 - 22)

Report of Chief Executive (enclosed)

8 **MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT: MEMBERS DISCHARGING THE  
ROLE OF A COUNCILLOR**

The Monitoring Officer will present a verbal report.

9 **RIPA APPLICATION UPDATE**

The Monitoring Officer will present a verbal report at the meeting.

10 **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS**

To consider the exclusion of the press and public for the following items of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph \* of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

By Virtue of Paragraph 3: Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Condition:

Information is not exempt if it is required to be registered under-  
The Companies Act 1985

The Friendly Societies Act 1974

The Friendly Societies Act 1992

The Industrial and Provident Societies Acts 1965 to 1978

The Building Societies Act 1986 (recorded in the public file of any building society, within the meaning of the Act)

The Charities Act 1993

Information is exempt to the extent that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Information is not exempt if it relates to proposed development for which the local planning authority may grant itself planning permission pursuant to Regulation 3 of the Town & Country Planning General Regulations 1992(a).

11 **REVIEW OF INVESTMENT COUNTERPARTIES 2015/16**

Report of Chief Finance Officer (to follow)

12 **ANY URGENT BUSINESS PREVIOUSLY AGREED WITH THE CHAIR**

GARY HALL  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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