

Wednesday, 17 November 2021

**Notice of Meeting****Governance and Audit Committee****Thursday, 25th November, 2021 at 2.00 pm,  
County Hall, Usk - Remote Attendance****AGENDA**

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**Paul Matthews  
Chief Executive**

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MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
CYNGOR SIR FYNWY

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Philip White (Co-opted Member)

County Councillor Peter Clarke

County Councillor Tony Easson

County Councillor Mat Feakins

County Councillor Jim Higginson

County Councillor Bryan Jones

County Councillor Paul Jordan

County Councillor Malcolm Lane

County Councillor Phil Murphy

County Councillor Val Smith

County Councillor Brian Strong

County Councillor Jo Watkins

*Llangybi*

*Fawr;*

*Dewstow;*

*Drybridge;*

*Severn;*

*Goytre*

*Fawr;*

*Cantref;*

*Mardy;*

*Caerwent;*

*Llanbadoc;*

*Usk;*

*Caldicot*

*Castle;*

*Welsh Conservative Party*

*Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru*

*Welsh Conservative Party*

*Welsh Labour/Llafur Cymru*

*Welsh Conservative Party*

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*Welsh Conservative Party*

*Independent Group*

*Welsh Conservative Party*

*Liberal Democrats*

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# Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

## Our purpose

Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities

### Objectives we are working towards

- Giving people the best possible start in life
- A thriving and connected county
- Maximise the Potential of the natural and built environment
- Lifelong well-being
- A future focused council

## Our Values

**Openness.** We are open and honest. People have the chance to get involved in decisions that affect them, tell us what matters and do things for themselves/their communities. If we cannot do something to help, we'll say so; if it will take a while to get the answer we'll explain why; if we can't answer immediately we'll try to connect you to the people who can help – building trust and engagement is a key foundation.

**Fairness.** We provide fair chances, to help people and communities thrive. If something does not seem fair, we will listen and help explain why. We will always try to treat everyone fairly and consistently. We cannot always make everyone happy, but will commit to listening and explaining why we did what we did.

**Flexibility.** We will continue to change and be flexible to enable delivery of the most effective and efficient services. This means a genuine commitment to working with everyone to embrace new ways of working.

**Teamwork.** We will work with you and our partners to support and inspire everyone to get involved so we can achieve great things together. We don't see ourselves as the 'fixers' or problem-solvers, but we will make the best of the ideas, assets and resources available to make sure we do the things that most positively impact our people and places.

