

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1	Election of Chairman	That Councillor Adrian Hardman be elected Chairman for the duration of the meeting.
3	Appointment of Vice-Chairman	That Councillor Steve Charmley be appointed Vice-Chairman for the duration of the meeting.
4	Minutes	That the Minutes of the West Mercia Energy Joint Committee held on 24 th September 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
8	External Audit Plan 2019/2020	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the draft audit plan for 2019/2020 as presented by Grant Thornton be approved. 2. That the commissioning of Grant Thornton to undertake the audit in accordance with the audit plan be approved. 3. That the Director of West Mercia Energy test the market to ensure value for money for the 2020/2021 Audit.
9	External Audit - Informing the Audit Risk 2019/2020	That having considered the proposed management responses contained in the report at Appendix 1, the submission of these management responses to the queries raised by Grant Thornton be approved.
10	Internal Audit Performance Reports to February 2020	That the Committee consider and endorse, with appropriate comment, the performance to date against the 2019/20 Audit Plan as set out in the report.
11	Internal Audit Strategic Plan 2020/21	That the proposed programme of audits for 2020/21, be considered and endorsed with appropriate comment.
12	Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement 2019/20	<p>That the draft WME Transparency Statement for 2019/20 be approved.</p> <p>That authority be delegated to the Director to finalise the WME Transparency Statement and publish it in accordance with section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015.</p>
13	Equality Policy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Shropshire Council Equality Policy for WME be approved and adopted. 2. That authority be delegated to the Director of West Mercia Energy, to refresh and review the policy at the appropriate time.

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14	Transfer of the WMS Pension Liability	That the Joint Committee agrees to delegate to the WME Treasurer (Shropshire Council Director of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer)) the calculation of the final position of the WMS pension deficit as at 1 April 2020 and, subject to the approval of such a transfer by the Owing Authorities respective Cabinets, to effect the transfer of the WMS pension liability to the Owing Authorities.
15	Risk Management Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the WME Risk Management Strategy attached at Appendix A be approved. 2. That the position as set out in this report be accepted.
16	Minutes of the Flexible Energy Advisory Panel	That the minutes of the Flexible Energy Advisory Panel 9 th September 2019 be endorsed.
18	Exempt Minutes	That the Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 24 th September 2019 be approved as a correct record.
19	Annual Business Plan and Budget 2020/21 including a Review of 2019/20	That the recommendations contained within the exempt report be approved.
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