

SEALAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 21st JULY 2014 AT THE SEALAND PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PRESENT: Councillors: Norman Jones (Chairman), Mrs Gwyneth Bullock, Mrs. Barbara Hinds, Mrs Chris Jones (County Councillor), Mrs Mary Southall, Mike Walker and David Wisinger.

Peter Richmond - the Clerk and Financial Officer.

Also in attendance –

Wayne Jones – Flintshire County Council

Four members of the public.

14/78 REPORT – ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN – 2013/14

The Clerk advised that the external auditor has now advised that he has substantially completed the audit work on the Annual Return for the year ended 31 March 2014.

The Appointed Auditor is responsible for providing an opinion on whether the information contained in the Council's Annual Return is in accordance with the Auditor General for Wales' requirements and that no matters have come to the auditor's attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.

There are no issues which he believes the Council should consider prior to approval of its Annual Return in accordance with the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005 (as amended) (the Regulations). It is their intention to issue an unqualified audit certificate and report with no other matters, which they need to draw to Council's attention. Council must approve and publish the audited accounts by 20th September 2013.

The Annual Return needs to be received back before 20th September 2014 to enable the audit to be completed.

The Responsible Financial Officer should now certify Section 3 of the Return. The Council should consider any issue highlighted in the Auditor's letter and then approve the Annual Return.. The Chairman should sign Section 3 of the Annual Return.

The Annual Return should be sent back to the Auditor – he will then complete the audit, sign the Return and issue a Notice of Conclusion of the Audit

RESOLVED: - that the report be noted.