## GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2025

<u>Present:</u> Councillors Rayment (Chair), Mrs Blatchford, Cooper, Denness, Gravatt,

Harwood, McCreanor.

Councillors Bunday, Chapman, Evemy and Leggett.

## 14. APOLOGIES AND CHANGES IN PANEL MEMBERSHIP

Members of the Audit Committee were invited to join for the purposes of the meeting. The apologies of Councillor Powell-Vaughan were noted.

## 15. IMPROVEMENT BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

The Joint committee received the report of the Improvement Board Chair.

## **RESOLVED:**

- (i) That members of the Governance and Audit committees received and noted the report.
- (ii) That the Leader would follow up on a request for further information regarding the statement from Teresa Grant, Improvement Board Chair, which stated "Culturally there is evidence to suggest that the fragile financial position the organisation finds itself in is not fully accepted by some Members - an example of which is a unilateral decision reversing a budget decision which was agreed by Cabinet and published in the budget, which raises cause for concern." It was agreed that the Leader would report back to the joint committee members the details of what this related to.