

Magor with Undy Community Council
PUBLIC NOTICE

(Following its review of the report 'Audit Wales Report in the Public Interest – Unlawful Expenditure and Inadequate Arrangements to Secure Value for Money')

Magor with Undy Community Council have reviewed, in detail, the 'Audit Wales Report in the Public Interest – Unlawful Expenditure and Inadequate Arrangements to Secure Value for Money' published by the Auditor General for Wales under Section 22 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 on 12th October 2021.

Council fully accepts the report and the recommendations made within it, some of which it has already started to implement following various annual independent auditor feedback. Council accepts that these recommendations are good practice for all Town & Community Councils.

Council does endeavour to act lawfully at all times, but concedes that it did fail to follow its own rules and regulations on occasion between 2013 and 2019, but especially during the period 2018-2019 when there were some limited mitigating circumstances. Council did seek advice from the recognised advisory body for Town and Community Councils in Wales - One Voice Wales.

Council recognised and welcomes the significant scope for improvement, and it is continuing to review its own Standing Orders and Financial Regulations and working practices in order to strive towards strengthening its internal governance and accountability mechanisms.

Council is committed to improving its governance and accountability and is putting in place measures to monitor progress on implementing Audit Wales' recommendations. Council seeks to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of working practices to deliver in the best interests of the Communities of Magor with Undy.

Relevant and related documents, questions and statements can be found on the Council's Web site page: http://www.magorundy.org.uk/Wales_Audit_41190.aspx