



AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday 26 March 2013

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage

Contact: Guy Moody

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Members: Councillors C Latif (Chair), J Gardner (Vice Chair),
D Cullen, M McKay, R Parker CC and M Yarnold-Forrester

Independent: B Mitchell

AGENDA

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE – 4 FEBRUARY 2013

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2013.

Minutes attached

3. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

The Committee is note the Audit Plan 2012/13 report from the Council's External Auditors Grant Thornton.

Report attached.

4. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Committee is asked to note the Internal Audit Progress report and approve the amendments to the Audit Plan as detailed in the report.

Report and appendices attached.

5. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

The Committee is requested to approve the proposed Stevenage Borough Council Internal Audit Plan 2013 – 2014.

Report and appendix attached.

6. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

To advise the Committee of the Council's Corporate Governance Arrangements.

Report to follow.

7. REVISIONS TO CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS

To update the Committee on the revision to the Council's Contract Standing Orders.

Report and appendices attached.

8. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

To consider any Part I business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motions:

1. That under Section 100 (A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1-7 of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by SI 2006 No.88.
2. That Members consider the reasons for the following reports being in Part II and determine whether or not maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

PART II

10. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER – QUARTER 3

To note the latest Strategic Risk Register for Stevenage Borough Council and developments in the risk management arrangements.

Report and appendices attached.

11. LIMITED ASSURANCE AUDIT REPORTS

The Committee is asked to note the Internal Audit Reports that have been assigned 'Limited' Assurance Options.

Report and appendices attached.

12. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

To consider any Part II business accepted by the Chair as urgent