

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Monday 3 February 2014 Time: 6.00 p.m. Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage Contact: Guy Moody 01438 242203

Members: Councillors: L Chester (Chair), J Gardner (Vice Chair), P Bibby, D Cullen, J Hollywell, C Latif and R Parker CC.

Independent: B Mitchell

AGENDA

<u>PART I</u>

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE – 18 NOVEMBER 2013

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 18 November 2013.

Minutes attached

3. CERTIFICATION REPORT 2012/2013

The Committee is requested to receive the Certification Work Report for the year 2012/2013 as prepared by the Council's Auditors, Grant Thornton.

Report attached.

4. PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATORS AND TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Committee is requested to recommend to Council the approval of the revised Treasury Management Strategy including its Annual Investment Strategy and the Prudential Indicators.

Report And Appendices attached.

5. CHANGES TO CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS

The Committee is requested to recommend to Council the approval of the revised Contract Standing Orders.

Report and appendices attached.

6. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

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

7. 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.

<u>PART II</u>

8. PART II MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE – 18 NOVEMBER 2013

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 18 November 2013.

Minutes attached

9. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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