



AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Monday 24 March 2014

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage

Contact: Guy Moody

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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

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE – 3 FEBRUARY 2014

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 3 February 2014.

Minutes attached

3. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

The Committee is requested to note the Audit Plan 2013/14 report from the Council's External Auditors Grant Thornton.

Report attached.

4. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Committee is requested to receive an update of progress against the Internal Audit Plan.

Report and appendices attached.

5. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

The Committee is requested to approve the proposed Stevenage Borough Council Internal Audit Plan 2014 – 2015.

Report and appendices attached.

6. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

To advise the Committee on the Council's self-assessment against the requirements that form the six key principles of corporate governance in the CIPFA/SOLACE Framework and to update the Committee on progress made against actions identified for delivery in 2013/2014 and advise actions planned for 2014/2015 to enhance the Council's corporate governance arrangements.

Report and appendix attached.

7. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

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

8. 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

9. 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

10. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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