

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 10 June 2014

Time: 6.00 p.m.

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage

Contact: Guy Moody 01438 242203

Members: Councillors M McKay (Chair), R Broom, L Chester, D Cullen,

J Gardner, G Lawrence, J Lloyd CC and A McGuinness

Independent: B Mitchell

AGENDA

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee is requested to note the terms of reference of the Audit Committee.

Terms of Reference attached.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Members are invited to appoint a Vice Chair for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

4. MINUTES - AUDIT COMMITTEE - 23 MARCH 2015

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 23 March 2015.

Minutes attached

5. 2014/2015 ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee is requested to note the Annual Assurance Statement and Internal Audit Annual report.

Report attached.

6. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Committee is requested to note the Internal Audit Progress Report as at 22 May 2015.

Report Attached.

7. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2014/2015.

The Committee is requested to receive and recommend the Council's 2014/2015 Annual Governance Statement for approval by the Statement of Accounts Committee and to note the governance arrangements outlined in the Stevenage Borough Council Governance Framework 2014/2015.

Report and Appendices attached

8. THE LOCAL CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Committee is requested to approve and reaffirm the Council's Local Code of Corporate Governance

Report and Appendix attached.

9. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

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

10. 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.
- 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

11. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER QUARTER 4 2014/2015

The Committee is requested to note the latest Strategic Risk Register for Stevenage Borough Council and developments in risk management arrangements.

Report and appendices attached.

12. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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