

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Date: Tuesday, 12 June 2018 Time: 6.00pm,

Location: Shimkent Room - Daneshill House, Danestrete

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Members: Councillors: M McKay (Chair), H Burrell, L Chester, D Cullen,

J Gardner, G Lawrence, J Lloyd and G Snell

Independent Member: Vacancy

#### **AGENDA**

## PART 1

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

## 2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

To appoint a Vice-Chair of the Audit Committee for the Municipal Year 2018/19.

## 3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To note the Terms of Reference of the Audit Committee following approval at the Annual Council meeting on 23 May 2018.

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### 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 26 March 2018

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#### 5. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2017/18

To advise on the content of the Council's Annual Governance Statement for 2017/18 following the review of the effectiveness of the Council's system of internal control and governance arrangements.

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### 6. STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL 2017/18 ANTI-FRAUD REPORT

To note the work of the Council and the Shared Anti-Fraud Service in delivering the Anti-Fraud Action Plan 2017/18.

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#### 7. SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE - PROGRESS REPORT

To note the report for the period to 25 May 2018.

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# 8. STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL 2017/18 ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT

To note the Annual Assurance Statement and Internal Audit Annual Report.

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## 9. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

To consider any Part 1 business accepted by the Chair as urgent.

### 10. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

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 paragraphs1 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act as amended by Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006.
- 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.

# 11. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

To note the latest Strategic Risk Register for Stevenage Borough Council.

#### 12. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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

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