



AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, 11 June 2019

Time: 6.00pm

Location: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Danestrete

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Members: Councillors: M McKay (Chair), S Barr, Booth, L Chester, D Cullen,
J Gardner, L Kelly and G Lawrence
Independent Member: Mr G Gibbs

AGENDA

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

To elect a Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the 2019/20 Municipal Year.

3. MINUTES - 19 MARCH 2019

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 19 March 2019.

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4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

To note the Terms of Reference for the Committee, as agreed by Annual Council on 22 May 2019.

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5. ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT TIMELINE 2018/19

To consider Ernst & Young's letter regarding a proposed revised Accounts and Audit Timeline for 2018/19.

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6. ANNUAL AUDIT FEE LETTER 2019/20

To consider Ernst & Young's Annual Fee Letter for 2019/20.

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7. 2018/19 ANNUAL FRAUD REPORT AND PROGRESS WITH DELIVERY OF 2019/20 ANTI-FRAUD PLAN

To consider the 2018/19 Annual Fraud Report and progress with delivery of the 2019/20 Anti-Fraud Plan.
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8. AUDIT PLAN 2019/20 - PROGRESS REPORT

To consider a progress report on the SIAS 2019/20 Internal Audit Plan.
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9. ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19

To consider the Annual Assurance Statement and Internal Audit Annual Report prepared by SIAS.
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10. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2018/19

To consider the content of the Council's Annual Governance Statement for 2018/19.
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11. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

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

12. 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 paragraphs 1 – 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.

13. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

To note the latest Strategic Risk Register for Stevenage Borough Council, and to note developments on risk management issues.
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14. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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