

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday, 9 February 2021

Time: 6.00pm

Location: Virtual (via Zoom)
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Members: Councillors: T Callaghan (Chair), J Gardner (Vice-Chair), S Barr,

S Booth, L Chester, D Cullen, L Kelly and G Lawrence.

Mr G Gibbs (Independent Non-voting Member)

AGENDA

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES - 17 NOVEMBER 2020

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 17 November 2020.

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3. EXTERNAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2019/20

To receive a verbal update from Ernst & Young on the External Audit of the 2019/20 accounts.

4. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2020/21 - PROGRESS REPORT

To consider a progress report on the 2020/21 Internal Audit Plan. Pages 9 – 24

5. ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY INCLUDING PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATORS 2021/22

To consider the Annual Treasury Management Strategy including Prudential Code Indicators 2021/22.

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6. URGENT PART I BUSINESS

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

7. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS

To consider the following motions –

- 1. That under Section 100A 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.

8. PART II MINUTES - AUDIT COMMITTEE - 17 NOVEMBER 2020

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 17 November 2020. Pages 61 - 62

9. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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

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