



## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Date: Tuesday, 7 February 2023**

**Time: 6.00pm**

**Location: Council Chamber, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage**

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Members: Councillors: T Callaghan (Chair), J Gardner (Vice-Chair), M Arceno, S Booth, A Farquharson, J Hollywell, G Lawrence CC, M McKay, L Rossati and T Wren.  
Mr G Gibbs (Independent Co-opted Non-voting Member).

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### **AGENDA**

#### **PART I**

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

**2. MINUTES - 9 NOVEMBER 2022**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 9 November 2022.

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**3. 2019/20 EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE**

To consider a verbal update from Ernst & Young on the 2019/20 External audit.

**4. 2020/21 EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN**

To consider Ernst & Young's proposed External Audit Plan for the 2020/21 SBC Accounts.

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**5. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2022/23 - PROGRESS REPORT**

To consider progress in respect of the Shared Internal Audit Service (SIAS) Internal Audit Plan 2022/23.

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**6. ANNUAL TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY INCLUDING PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATORS 2023/24**

To consider the Annual Treasury Management Strategy including Prudential Code Indicators 2023/24.

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**7. URGENT PART I BUSINESS**

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

**8. 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.

**9. PART II MINUTES - AUDIT COMMITTEE - 9 NOVEMBER 2022**

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 9 November 2022.

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**10. URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

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