



AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, 27 March 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)

AGENDA

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. MINUTES - 7 FEBRUARY 2023

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 7 February 2023.

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3. 2019/20 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS UPDATE

To consider reports from Ernst & Young and the Strategic Director (Section 151 Officer) on the External Audit of the Council's 2019/20 Statement of Accounts.

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4. SHARED ANTI-FRAUD SERVICE (SAFS) PROPOSED ANTI-FRAUD PLAN 2023/24

To consider the Shared Anti-Fraud Service's proposed Anti-Fraud Plan for 2023/24.

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5. SIAS INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2023/24

To consider the proposed SIAS Internal Audit Plan for 2023/24.

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6. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

To consider an assessment of Corporate Governance arrangements.

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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. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

To consider the latest Strategic Risk Register.
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10. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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