

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Thursday 15 June 2017

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: Shimkent Room, Daneshill House, Stevenage SG1 1HN

Contact: Guy Moody 01438 – 242203

Members: Councillors M McKay (Chair), R Broom, H Burrell, L Chester,

D Cullen, J Gardner, G Lawrence and G Snell

Independent: B Mitchell

AGENDA

PART I

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Members are invited to appoint a Vice-Chair for the 2017/2018 Municipal Year.

3. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee is requested to note the terms of reference of the Audit Committee.

Terms of Reference Attached.

4. MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE – 28 MARCH 2017

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2017.

Minutes attached

5. 2016/2017 ANNUAL ASSURANCE STATEMENT AND INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT

The Committee is requested to note the Annual Assurance Statement and Internal Audit Annual Report.

Report Attached.

6. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Committee is requested to note the Internal Audit Progress Report as at 27 May 2017.

Report Attached.

7. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2016/2017

The Committee is requested to receive and recommend the Council's 2015/2016 Annual Governance Statement for approval by the Statement of Accounts Committee.

Report and Appendices Attached.

8. LOCAL CODE OF COPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Committee is requested to approve the Council's Local Code of Corporate Governance.

Report and Appendix Attached.

9. URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS

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

10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider the following motions that:

- Under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved 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.
- That Members consider the reasons for the following reports (if any)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.

<u>PART II</u>

11. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER QUARTER 4 2016/2017

The Committee is requested to note the latest Strategic Risk register for Stevenage Borough Council and developments in risk management arrangements.

Report and Appendices Attached

12. URGENT PART II BUSINESS

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

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