



## AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 8 November 2023

Time: 6.00pm

Location: Council Chamber, Daneshill House, Danestrete, Stevenage

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Members: Councillors: M McKay (Chair), C Veres (Vice-Chair), S Booth, L Briscoe, R Broom, N Chowdhury, A Farquharson, G Lawrence CC, Baroness Taylor of Stevenage, OBE and T Wren.

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### AGENDA

#### PART I

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

**2. MINUTES - 6 SEPTEMBER 2023**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 6 September 2023.

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**3. SHARED ANTI-FRAUD SERVICE (SAFS) - PROGRESS WITH DELIVERY OF 2023/24 ANTI-FRAUD PLAN**

To consider a progress report in respect of the delivery of the SAFS Anti-Fraud Plan 2023/24.

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**4. REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT (RIPA) POLICY**

To consider the updated Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) Policy.

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**5. PROGRESS OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ACTIONS**

To consider progress on Corporate Governance Actions.

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**6. MID YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT REVIEW AND PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS 2023/24**

To consider the Mid Year Treasury Management review and Prudential 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 - 6 SEPTEMBER 2023**

To approve as a correct record the Part II Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 6 September 2023.

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**10. SBC INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) RESILIENCE**

To consider a Part II briefing report on SBC Information Communication technology (ICT) Resilience.

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**11. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER**

To note the latest Strategic Risk Register for Stevenage Borough Council and developments on risk management issues.

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**12. URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

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