



## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Date: Tuesday, 25 March 2025**

**Time: 6.00pm,**

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

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Members: Councillors: C Veres (Chair), T Plater (Vice-Chair), L Briscoe, P Bibby CC, R Boyle, L Guy, M Humberstone, C Roopchand, A Wells and T Wren

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### **AGENDA**

#### **PART 1**

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

**2. MINUTES - 4 FEBRUARY & 11 FEBRUARY**

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meetings of the Audit Committee held on 4 February 2025 and 11 February 2025.

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**3. SHARED ANTI-FRAUD SERVICE (SAFS) PROPOSED ANTI-FRAUD PLAN 2025/26**

To consider the Shared Anti-Fraud Service's proposed Anti-Fraud Plan for 2025/26.

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**4. PROGRESS ON SAFS ANTI-FRAUD PLAN 2024/2025**

To consider progress on the SAFS Anti-Fraud Plan 2024/25.

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**5. SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE (SIAS) INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2025/26**

To consider the proposed Shared Internal Audit Service (SIAS) Internal Audit Plan for 2024/25.

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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 100(A) 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.

**10. URGENT PART II BUSINESS**

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