



## **Audit Committee**

Date: Tuesday, 19 January 2021

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Virtual meeting - <https://vimeo.com/496799660>

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## **Membership of the Audit Committee**

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**Councillors** - Ahmed Ali (Chair), Clay, Lanchbury, Russell and Watson

**Independent Co-opted Members** – Dr S Downs and Dr D Barker

## Agenda

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- 1. Urgent Business**  
To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2. Appeals**  
To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.
- 3. Interests**  
To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears; [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that at the start of the item under consideration. If Members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 4. Minutes** 5 - 10  
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 26 November 2020.
- 5. External Audit Update Report - January 2021** 11 - 24  
The report of the Council's external auditor (Mazars) is enclosed.
- 6. Internal Audit Assurance Report Quarter 3 - to follow**
- 7. Outstanding Audit Recommendations Quarter 3 - to follow**

## Information about the Committee

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The Committee is responsible for approving the Council's statement of accounts; considering the Audit Commission's Annual Audit and Inspection Letter and monitoring the Council's response to individual issues of concern identified in it. The Committee also considers the Council's annual review of the effectiveness of its systems of internal control and assurance over the Council's corporate governance and risk management arrangements, and engages with the external auditor and external inspection agencies to ensure that there are effective relationships between external and internal audit.

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## Further Information

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