

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting: AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date and Time: FRIDAY, 23 MARCH 2018, AT 10.00 AM*

Place: COMMITTEE ROOM 1, APPLETREE COURT,
LYNDHURST

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Please note start time

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

*Members of the public may speak in accordance with the Council's public participation scheme:

- (a) immediately before the meeting starts, on items within the Committee's terms of reference which are not on the public agenda; and/or
 - (b) on individual items on the public agenda, when the Chairman calls that item.
- Speeches may not exceed three minutes. Anyone wishing to speak should contact the name and number shown above.

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AGENDA

Apologies

1. MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2018 as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by members in connection with an agenda item. The nature of the interest must also be specified.

Members are asked to discuss any possible interests with Democratic Services prior to the meeting.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To note any issues raised during the public participation period.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT - OVERVIEW OF ARRANGEMENTS (Pages 1 - 4)

To note an overview of the Council's Risk Management framework, to assess its adequacy, and to identify any opportunities for improvement.

5. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLANNING REPORT 2017/18 (Pages 5 - 44)

To receive the External Auditor's Planning Report for 2017/18.

6. INTERNAL AUDIT - PROGRESS REPORT AGAINST THE 2017/18 AUDIT PLAN & HIGH PRIORITY RECOMMENDATIONS (Pages 45 - 48)

To receive the Internal Audit progress report.

7. INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER 2018/19 (Pages 49 - 58)

To consider the Internal Audit Charter for 2018/19, which defines the internal audit activity's purpose, authority and responsibility, in line with the Public Sector Internal Auditing Standards.

8. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2018/19 (Pages 59 - 78)

To consider the internal audit plan for 2018/19.

9. REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS (Pages 79 - 114)

To consider proposed revisions to the Council's Financial Regulations.

10. ANTI-FRAUD, BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION STRATEGY (Pages 115 - 126)

To consider an updated Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Strategy.

11. WHISTLEBLOWING POLICY (Pages 127 - 134)

To consider an updated Whistleblowing Policy.

12. AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PLAN (Pages 135 - 136)

To consider the Audit Committee's Work Plan.

13. ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT

To:

Councillors:

A D O'Sullivan (Chairman)
J G Ward (Vice-Chairman)
A R Alvey
W G Andrews

Councillors:

J D Heron
Mrs E L Lane
R A Wappet
C A Wise