MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNCIL OFFICES, BUSHLOE HOUSE, STATION ROAD, WIGSTON, LEICESTERSHIRE, LE18 2DR ON WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL 2023 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM

PRESENT

K J Loydall Chair

COUNCILLORS

Meeting ID: 2308
A Boulter

G A Boulter Miss P V Joshi D W Loydall

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

T Bingham Strategic Director / Section 151 Officer
B Bull Head of Finance / Deputy Section 151 Officer
A Hunt Democratic & Electoral Services Officer

R Sohal Finance Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

M Watkins 360 Assurance

47. <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

An apology for absence was received from Councillors J Kaufman, Mrs L Kaufman and Mrs S B Morris.

48. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

None.

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

50. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 January 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and signed.

51. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

None.

52. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

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None.

53. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS ARISING ON ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2021/22

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set at pages 8 - 15 of the agenda reports pack) which updated the Audit Committee on the progress of improvement actions identified through the annual review of the Annual Governance Statement for 2022/23.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The content of the report be noted.

54. STRATEGIC RISK UPDATE (2022/23)

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out on pages 16 - 25 of the agenda pack) which presented the Strategic Risk Register to Committee for information.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The report and Strategic Risk Register (as set out in Appendix 1) be considered.

55. ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND MATERIALITY

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendices (as set at pages 26 - 48 of the agenda reports pack) which asked it to review and approve the draft accounting policies and materiality levels for the 2022/23 Financial Statements.

It was moved by the Chair, seconded by Councillor G A Boulter and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- i) The Draft Accounting Policies for the 2022/23 Financial Statement as detailed in Appendix 1 be approved; and
- ii) The materiality levels as out in Appendix 1 be approved; and
- iii) Authority be delegated to the Section 151 Officer to make any necessary amendments be approved

56. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (APRIL 2023)

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out on pages 49 - 56 of the agenda pack) which gave an update on Internal Audit's progress on delivering the 2022/23 Audit Plan.

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The progress made in delivering the 2022/23 Audit Plan be noted.

57. STRATEGIC INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN - 2023/24 TO 2025/26

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out in pages 57 - 92 in the agenda reports pack) which presented the Strategic Internal Audit Plan for 2023/24 to 2025/26.

It was moved by the Chair, seconded by Councillor D W Loydall and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The Strategic Internal Audit Plan for 2023/24 to 2025/26 be approved.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.01 pm



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