

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE BY REMOTE VIDEO CONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 4.00 PM

PRESENT

K J Loydall Chair



COUNCILLORS

Miss P V Joshi
J Kaufman
D W Loydall
Dr I K Ridley

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

S J Ball	Trainee Solicitor (acting as Democratic Services Officer)
C Campbell	Interim Financial Services Manager
D M Gill	Head of Law & Democracy / Monitoring Officer
P Harvey	External Auditor
R Kongwa	Closedown Accountant
G Patterson	External Auditor
Miss J Sweeney	Democratic & Electoral Services Officer

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

P Harvey	Grant Thornton LLP
G Patterson	Grant Thornton LLP

10. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

11. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

None.

12. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

13. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 September 2020 be taken as read, confirmed and signed.

14. ACTION LIST ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

There was no action List held from the previous meeting.

15. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Audit Committee (Remote Video Conference)
Thursday, 26 November 2020

Chair's
Initials

None.

16. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND ANNUAL EXTERNAL AUDIT ISA 260 GOVERNANCE REPORT (2019/20)

The Committee gave consideration to the report and appendix (as set out in pages 8 - 128 in the public agenda reports pack) which asked Members to review and approve the Statement of Accounts 2019/20 etc.

Members were provided with a presentation from Grant Patterson, the External Auditor from Grant Thornton LLP, as part of the Annual External Audit ISA 260 Governance Report (2019/20). The presentation updated the Committee on any relevant interim audit findings in relation to Council's financial statements.

It was moved by the Chair, seconded by Councillor J Kaufman and

By affirmation of the meeting, it was

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT:

- (i) That the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 be reviewed and approved; and**
- (ii) In order to comply with the Council's statutory obligations, it be confirmed that the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2020 can be published by 30 November 2020 and the Section 151 Officer be authorised, following consultation with the Chair of the Audit Committee, to make any changes to the accounts that may be agreed with Grant Thornton LLP, the Council's External Auditors.**

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 5.15 PM



Chair

Wednesday, 14 April 2021

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