

AGENDA

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 17 AUGUST 2020

1.30 PM

**VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM VIDEO
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Due to the COVID-19 outbreak and the restrictions by the Government on gatherings of people, this meeting will be conducted remotely using the Zoom video conferencing system. There will be no access to this meeting at the Council offices but you can view the meeting on YouTube, apart from any items marked confidential.

- 1 Appointment of Chairman for the Municipal Year
- 2 To receive apologies for absence
- 3 Appointment of Vice Chairman for the Municipal Year
- 4 Previous Minutes. (Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm the minutes of 4 February 2020
- 5 To report additional items for consideration which the Chairman deems urgent by virtue of special circumstances to be now specified.
- 6 Members to declare any interests under the Local Code of Conduct in respect of any item to be discussed at the meeting.
- 7 External Audit Plan 2019/2020 (Pages 11 - 56)

Report Attached

8 Statement of Accounts 2019/20 (subject to external audit) (Pages 57 - 174)

The purpose of this report is for members to review and note the draft Statement of Accounts for 2019/20.

9 Annual Governance Statement 2019/2020 (Pages 175 - 192)

Regulation 6(1) of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, require the Council to conduct an annual review of the effectiveness of its system of internal control and publish an Annual Governance Statement (AGS). The CIPFA Finance Advisory Network has issued detailed practical guidance for meeting the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations

10 Internal Audit Outturn and Quality Assurance Review (Pages 193 - 202)

To provide the Corporate Governance Committee with an overview of the work undertaken by Internal Audit during 2019/20;

To provide the Audit Managers annual opinion on the system of internal control;

To consider the effectiveness of Internal Audit

11 Corporate Governance Committee Annual Report 2019 -2020 (Pages 203 - 214)

To report to Full Council the commitment and effectiveness of the Corporate Governance Committee's work from April 2019 to March 2020.

12 Risk Based Internal Audit Plan 20-21 (Pages 215 - 228)

In accordance with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards the Internal Audit Manager has prepared the attached Internal Audit Plan. It considers the areas for audit review and the availability of internal audit resources taking into account the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic

13 Corporate Risk Register - Quarterly Review (Pages 229 - 260)

To provide an update to the Corporate Governance Committee on the Council's Corporate Risk Register

14 Items of Topical Interest

15 Items which the Chairman has under item 5 deemed urgent.

Thursday, 6 August 2020

Members: Councillor J Clark (Chairman), Councillor K French (Vice-Chairman), Councillor I Benney, Councillor G Booth, Councillor S Clark, Councillor D Divine, Councillor Mrs J French, Councillor N Meekins, Councillor M Purser, Councillor D Topgood and Councillor Wicks