



## NOTICE OF MEETING

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Audit Committee</b>
<b>Date and Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday 7 December 2021 7.00 pm</b>
<b>Place:</b>	<b>Council Chamber</b>
<b>Enquiries to:</b>	<b>Committee Services committeeservices@hart.gov.uk</b>
<b>Members:</b>	<b>Axam (Chairman), Blewett, Crookes, Davies, Farmer, Southern and Wildsmith</b>

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## AGENDA

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### AGENDA 2

#### **1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 4 - 8)**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 July 2021 are attached to be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

#### **2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

To receive any apologies for absence from Members\*.

**\*Note:** Members are asked to email Committee Services in advance of the meeting as soon as they become aware they will be absent.

### **3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To declare disclosable pecuniary, and any other, interests\*.

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### **4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **5 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2020/21 (Pages 9 - 35)**

The purpose of this report is to inform the Committee of the content of the final Annual Governance Statement for 2020/21 and seek its approval.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Committee approves the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.

### **6 AUDIT RESULTS REPORT 2020/21 (Pages 36 - 88)**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Council's External Auditors with the opportunity to report the key findings of their audit to those charged with governance prior, to issuing their opinion on the 2020/21 Statement Accounts.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Members agree to any uncorrected misstatements in the Annual Results Report (**APPENDIX 1**) remaining uncorrected.

That Members formally note the opinion of the Auditors on the draft Statement of Accounts.

That in all other respects the report of the External Auditors be noted.

### **7 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND LETTER OF REPRESENTATION (Pages 89 - 210)**

To report to Members the position of the EY LLP audit of the statements and any amendments arising from the audit.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That delegated authority is given to the Chair of Audit Committee in consultation with the Head of Corporate Services for the final approval of the 2020/21 Statement of accounts and letter of representation.

**8 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT Q2 (Pages 211 - 269)**

To update the Committee on Internal Audit work carried out between July 2021 and October 2021.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Internal Audit work completed between July 2021 and October 2021 be noted.

**9 CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL AUDIT WORK - SHAPLEY HEATH GARDEN COMMUNITY PROJECT (Pages 270 - 271)**

The purpose of this report is to recommend an extension of the current 2021/22 Internal Audit Plan to accommodate an audit of income, expenditure, and governance arrangements in place over the Shapley Heath Garden Community Project.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Members of the Committee approve an additional independent internal audit of up to 15 days procured by the Audit Manager based on the scope suggested in Section 4 of this report.

**10 UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CIPFA FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CODE (Pages 272 - 274)**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Members of the Audit Committee of progress in implementing the Financial Management Code.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee notes this report.

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