

Blackpool Council

17 March 2021

To: Councillors Burdess, Collett, Cox, Critchley, Galley, Hugo, Mitchell and Roberts

Ms Gill Brown and Dr Stuart Green, Independent Members

The above Members are requested to attend the:

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thursday 25 March 2021 at 6.00pm

Via Zoom

A G E N D A

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests in the items under consideration and in doing so state:

(1) the type of interest concerned, either a

(a) personal interest

(b) prejudicial interest

(c) disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI)

and

(2) the nature of the interest concerned

If any Member requires advice on declarations of interests, they are advised to contact the Head of Democratic Governance in advance of the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 21 JANUARY 2021 (Pages 1 - 8)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting of the Audit Committee held on 21 January 2021 as a true and correct record.

3 STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER 2021/2022 (Pages 9 - 26)

To present the Council's revised Strategic Risk Register to the Audit Committee.

4 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT HALF-YEAR REVIEW (Pages 27 - 46)

To provide the Audit Committee with an update on progress made on the actions identified in the Annual Governance Statement 2019/2020.

- 5 RISK SERVICES QUARTER THREE REPORT** (Pages 47 - 72)
- To provide the Audit Committee with a summary of the work completed by Risk Services in quarter three of the 2020/2021 financial year.
- 6 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE (ISA 260) AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2019/2020** (Pages 73 - 310)
- To consider Deloitte's Governance Report and the audited Statement of Accounts for 2019/2020.
- 7 INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL PLAN 2021/2022** (Pages 311 - 326)
- To obtain approval from the Audit Committee for the Internal Audit Plan 2021/2022.
- 8 FRAUD PREVENTION CHARTER 2021/2022** (Pages 327 - 346)
- To obtain approval from the Audit Committee for the Fraud Prevention Charter 2021/2022.
- 9 AUDIT COMMITTEE ACTION TRACKER** (Pages 347 - 352)
- To consider the updates provided and to ask follow up questions as appropriate to ensure that all recommendations are implemented.
- 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
- To note the date and time of the next meeting of the Audit Committee as 29 April 2021, commencing at 6pm.

Other information:

For queries regarding this agenda please contact Elaine Ireland, Democratic Governance Senior Adviser, Tel: 01253 477255, e-mail elaine.ireland@blackpool.gov.uk

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