Blackpool Council

20 January 2015

To: Councillors Callow, I Coleman, Galley, Hunter, O'Hara, Smith and L Taylor

The above members are requested to attend the:

FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 29 January 2015 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room A, Town Hall, Blackpool FY1 1GB

AGENDA

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; 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 27TH NOVEMBER 2014 (Pages 1 - 6)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 27th November 2014 as a true and correct record.

3 STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER - RETENTION OF STAFF OF THE RIGHT CALIBRE AND MAINTAIN MORALE (Pages 7 - 12)

To consider a progress report on the individual risks identified in the Council's Strategic Risk Register.

4 ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS MONITORING REPORT (Pages 13 - 18)

To consider a report on the appointment of consultants exceeding £25,000 for the period August to October 2014.

5 EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2014/2015

(Pages 19 - 48)

To consider KPMG's Audit Plan.

6 FINANCIAL MONITORING AS AT MONTH 7 2014 - 2015 (Pages 49 - 52)

To consider the level of spending against the Council's Revenue and Capital budgets for the first 7 months to October 2014.

7 FINANCIAL MONITORING AS AT MONTH 8 2014 - 2015 (Pages 53 - 56)

To consider the level of spending against the Council's Revenue and Capital budgets for the first 8 months to November 2014.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note that the next meetings of the Committee will be taking place on Friday 13th February 2015 as follows:

9.30am - Finance and Audit Committee and Unions Budget Consultation 11.30am - Finance and Audit Committee and Non-Domestic Ratepayers Budget Consultation

Venue information:

First floor meeting room (lift available), accessible toilets (ground floor), no-smoking building.

Other information:

For queries regarding this agenda please contact Bernadette Jarvis, Senior Democratic Services Advisor, Tel: (01253) 477212, e-mail bernadette.jarvis@blackpool.gov.uk

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