Blackpool Council

19 July 2023

To: Councillors Cartmell, Fenlon, Humphreys, Marshall, Roberts, Swift, Thomas and Warne

Mr David Swift – Independent Co-Opted Member

The above members are requested to attend the:

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 27 July 2023 at 6.00 pm in Committee Room A, Town Hall, Blackpool

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 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 15 JUNE 2023 (Pages 1 - 6)

To agree the minutes of the last meeting of the Audit Committee held on 15 June 2023 as a true and correct record.

3 CHILDREN'S SERVICES FINANCIAL SYSTEMS INTERNAL AUDIT FOLLOW UP (Pages 7 - 24)

To consider a progress report on the recommendations made in the internal audit report of Children's Services Financial Systems issued on the 16 August 2022.

4 STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER DEEP DIVE - OPERATIONS (Pages 25 - 36)

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

5 EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE (ISA 260) AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2020/2021 (Pages 37 - 250)

To consider and approve the audited Statement of Accounts for 2020-2021.

6 RISK SERVICES QUARTER ONE REPORT

(Pages 251 - 274)

To provide the Audit Committee with a summary of the work completed by Risk Services in quarter one of the 2023/24 financial year.

7 ACTION TRACKER

To note that there are no outstanding items on the Committee's Action Tracker.

8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the date and time of the next meeting of the Committee as 14 September 2023, commencing at 6.00pm.

Venue information:

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

Other information:

For queries regarding this agenda please contact John Greenbank, Democratic Governance Senior Adviser, Tel: 01253 477229, e-mail john.greenbank@blackpool.gov.uk

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