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MEETING: AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

VENUE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD

DATE: TUESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2021

TIME : 7.00 PM

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Councillor M Pope (Chairman)
Councillors A Alder, R Fernando, A Huggins, T Stowe, R Townsend and A Ward-Booth (Vice-Chairman)

Substitutes

Conservative Group: Councillors J Burmicz and A Curtis

(Note: Substitution arrangements must be notified by the absent Member to Democratic Services 24 hours before the meeting)

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DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- A Member, present at a meeting of the Authority, or any committee, sub-committee, joint committee or joint subcommittee of the Authority, with a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) in any matter to be considered or being considered at a meeting:
 - must not participate in any discussion of the matter at the meeting;
 - must not participate in any vote taken on the matter at the meeting;
 - must disclose the interest to the meeting, whether registered or not, subject to the provisions of section 32 of the Localism Act 2011;
 - if the interest is not registered and is not the subject of a pending notification, must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days;
 - must leave the room while any discussion or voting takes place.
- 2. A DPI is an interest of a Member or their partner (which means spouse or civil partner, a person with whom they are living as husband or wife, or a person with whom they are living as if they were civil partners) within the descriptions as defined in the Localism Act 2011.
- 3. The Authority may grant a Member dispensation, but only in limited circumstances, to enable him/her to participate and vote on a matter in which they have a DPI.
- 4. It is a criminal offence to:

- fail to disclose a disclosable pecuniary interest at a meeting if it is not on the register;
- fail to notify the Monitoring Officer, within 28 days, of a DPI that is not on the register that a Member disclosed to a meeting;
- participate in any discussion or vote on a matter in which a Member has a DPI;
- knowingly or recklessly provide information that is false or misleading in notifying the Monitoring Officer of a DPI or in disclosing such interest to a meeting.

(Note:

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AGENDA

- 1. Apologies
- 2. <u>Minutes 14 September 2021</u> (Pages 7 20)
- 3. Chairman's Announcements
- 4. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>
- 5. <u>Training: Treasury Management</u>
- 6. <u>Budget 2022/23 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2022/23 2026/27</u> (Pages 21 36)
- 7. Annual Treasury Report 2020/21 (Pages 37 40)
- 8. Treasury Management 2021/22 Mid Year review (Pages 41 84)
- 9. <u>Annual Infrastructure Funding Statement report 2020/21</u> (Pages 85 118)
- 10. <u>Strategic Risk Register Monitoring Quarter 2: 2021/22</u> (Pages 119 158)
- 11. Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy (Pages 159 198)
- 12. <u>Shared Internal Audit Service Internal Audit Plan Progress Report</u> (Pages 199 222)
- 13. External Audit National Procurement Opt in (Pages 223 230)

- 14. <u>Data Protection Update</u> (Pages 231 238)
- 15. Standards Update (Pages 239 244)
- 16. Audit and Governance Work Programme (Pages 245 260)
- 17. <u>Urgent Items</u>