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MEETING: AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

VENUE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD

DATE : TUESDAY 5 APRIL 2022

TIME : 7.00 PM

PLEASE NOTE TIME AND VENUE

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Councillor Mark 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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AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence

2. <u>Minutes - 25 January 2022</u> (Pages 7 - 22)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2022.

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest.

4. Chairman's Announcements

5. Training - Risk Management

6. <u>Leisure Annual Report</u> (Pages 23 - 120)

To move that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the discussion of Appendix 1a, Item 6 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the said Act of the following description: in that it provides financial details.

7. Receipt of the External Auditor's Annual Governance Report - 'To Follow'

Report to follow

- 8. Approval of the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 (Pages 121 162)
- 9. Approval of the Statement of Accounts 'To Follow'

Report to follow

- 10. <u>Monitoring of 2021/22 Quarter Three Strategic Risk Register, Review of Content of the Strategic Risk Register for 2022/23 and Annual Review of Risk Management Strategy.</u> (Pages 163 218)
- 11. <u>Shared Internal Audit Service Internal Audit Plan 2022/23</u> (Pages 219 236)
- 12. Shared Anti-Fraud Plan 2022/23 Report (Pages 237 254)
- 13. <u>Financial Management Quarter 3 Forecast to Year End 'To Follow'</u>

Report to follow

- 14. Audit and Governance Committee Work Programme (Pages 255 266)
- 15. <u>Urgent Items</u>

To consider such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration and is not likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information.