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MEETING : AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
VENUE : COUNCIL CHAMBER, WALLFIELDS, HERTFORD
DATE : WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2024
TIME : 7.00 PM

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MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Councillor Martin Adams (Chair)
Councillors B Deering, C Hart, S Nicholls, G Williamson, D Willcocks,
D Woollcombe

Substitutes

Conservative Group: Councillor J Wyllie
Liberal Democrat Group: Councillors S Marlow and M Swainston
Labour Group: Councillor D Jacobs
Green Group: Councillors M Connolly and N Cox

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AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies for absence

2. Minutes - 29 May 2024 (Pages 6 - 27)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 29 May 2024.

3. Chairman's Announcements

4. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest.

5. Training Presentation - Cyber Security

This item will be excluded from the press and public as it will involve the disclosure of information relating to the financial or business affairs of the authority.

The Committee will need to vote to agree that under Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended), the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business because they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended). It is considered that, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

6. Shared Internal Audit Service - Internal Audit Plan Progress Report (Pages 28 - 45)

7. Shared Anti-Fraud Service - Anti-Fraud Plan Progress Report (Pages 46 - 50)

8. Financial Management 2024/25 - Q1 Forecast to year end
(Pages 51 - 62)
9. Local Government Association Finance Peer Challenge (Pages 63 - 120)
10. Audit and Governance Work Programme - 'To Follow'
11. Urgent Items

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.