# Audit and Standards Committee

Thursday 15 October 2020 at 5.00 pm

To be held as a video conference.

The Press and Public are Welcome to Attend

# **Membership**

Councillors Sioned-Mair Richards (Chair), Simon Clement-Jones (Deputy Chair), Angela Argenzio, Adam Hurst, Mohammed Mahroof and Josie Paszek.

**Independent Co-opted Members** 

Alison Howard.



### PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE MEETING

The Audit and Standards Committee oversees and assesses the Council's risk management, control and corporate governance arrangements and advises the Council on the adequacy and effectiveness of these arrangements. The Committee has delegated powers to approve the Council's Statement of Accounts and consider the Annual Letter from the External Auditor.

The Committee is also responsible for promoting high standards of conduct by Councillors and co-opted members.

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### **FACILITIES**

N/A

# AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE AGENDA 15 OCTOBER 2020

### **Order of Business**

# 1. Welcome and Housekeeping Arrangements

### 2. Apologies for Absence

### 3. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To identify items where resolutions may be moved to exclude the press and public.

### 4. Declarations of Interest

(Pages 5 - 8)

Members to declare any interests they have in the business to be considered at the meeting.

# 5. Minutes of Previous Meeting

(Pages 9 - 14)

To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

### 6. Final Accounts Audit Process

Verbal report of the Council's External Auditors (Ernst and Young)

# 7. Progress on High Opinion Audit Reports

(Pages 15 - 46)

Report of the Head of Strategic Finance

# 8. Code of Corporate Governance

(Pages 47 - 66)

Report of the Director of Legal and Governance

## 9. Work Programme

(Pages 67 - 74)

Report of the Director of Legal and Governance.

### 10. Dates of Future Meetings

To note that meetings of the Committee will be held at 5.00 p.m. on:-

Thursday 26th November 2020

Thursday 21st January 2021

Thursday 18th February 2021 (additional meeting, if required)

Thursday 18th March 2021 (additional meeting, if required)

Thursday 15th April 2021

Thursday 10th June 2021

Thursday 29th July 2021