



Brighton & Hove  
City Council

# Audit & Standards Committee

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| Title:   | <b>Audit &amp; Standards Committee</b>   |
| Date:    | <b>15 November 2016</b>  |
| Time:    | <b>4.00pm</b>  |
| Venue    | <b>Council Chamber, Hove Town Hall, Norton Road, Hove, BN3 3BQ</b>   |
| Members: | <b>Councillors:</b> A Norman (Chair), Chapman, Cobb, Druitt, Morris, Robins (Group Spokesperson), Sykes (Group Spokesperson) and Taylor<br><br><b>Co-opted Members:</b> Diane Bushell and Dr David Horne |
| Contact: | <b>John Peel</b><br>Democratic Services Officer<br>01273 291058<br>john.peel@brighton-hove.gov.uk  |



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# Democratic Services: Audit & Standards Committee

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| Monitoring Officer | Executive Director | Councillor A Norman (Chair) | Democratic Services Officer |
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OFFICERS

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| Councillor Chapman |
| Councillor Morris  |
| Councillor Robins  |
| Dr David Horne     |
| Diane Bushell      |
| Officers           |
| Officers           |

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| Councillor Cobb   |
| Councillor Taylor |
| Councillor Druitt |
| Councillor Sykes  |
| Officers          |
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| Public Speaker | Public Speaker |
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## AGENDA

### 38 PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

(a) **Declaration of Substitutes:** Where Councillors are unable to attend a meeting, a substitute Member from the same Political Group may attend, speak and vote in their place for that meeting.

(b) **Declarations of Interest:**

- (a) Disclosable pecuniary interests;
- (b) Any other interests required to be registered under the local code;
- (c) Any other general interest as a result of which a decision on the matter might reasonably be regarded as affecting you or a partner more than a majority of other people or businesses in the ward/s affected by the decision.

In each case, you need to declare

- (i) the item on the agenda the interest relates to;
- (ii) the nature of the interest; and
- (iii) whether it is a disclosable pecuniary interest or some other interest.

If unsure, Members should seek advice from the committee lawyer or administrator preferably before the meeting.

(c) **Exclusion of Press and Public:** To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

**NOTE:** Any item appearing in Part Two of the Agenda states in its heading the category under which the information disclosed in the report is exempt from disclosure and therefore not available to the public.

*A list and description of the exempt categories is available for public inspection at Brighton and Hove Town Halls.*

### 39 MINUTES

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To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2016 (copy attached).

### 40 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

## AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE

### 41 CALL OVER

- (a) Items (44-52) will be read out at the meeting and Members invited to reserve the items for consideration.
- (b) Those items not reserved will be taken as having been received and the reports' recommendations agreed.

### 42 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

To consider the following matters raised by members of the public:

- (a) **Petitions:** to receive any petitions presented to the full council or at the meeting itself;
- (b) **Written Questions:** to receive any questions submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 8 November 2016;
- (c) **Deputations:** to receive any deputations submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 8 November 2016.

### 43 MEMBER INVOLVEMENT

To consider the following matters raised by councillors:

- (a) **Petitions:** to receive any petitions submitted to the full Council or at the meeting itself;
- (b) **Written Questions:** to consider any written questions;
- (c) **Letters:** to consider any letters;
- (d) **Notices of Motion:** to consider any Notices of Motion referred from Council or submitted directly to the Committee.

### 44 STRATEGIC RISK FOCUS ITEM: SR21 HOUSING PRESSURES; SR23 DEVELOPING AN INVESTMENT STRATEGY TO REFURBISH AND DEVELOP THE CITY'S MAJOR ASSET OF THE SEAFRONT; AND SR27 DEVOLUTION 9 - 34

Report of the Executive Lead Officer, Strategy, Governance & Law (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Jackie Algar  
Ward Affected: All Wards

Tel: 01273 291273

### 45 INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE (INCLUDING AMENDED AUDIT PLAN) 35 - 40

Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Graham Liddell

Tel: 01273 291323

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- 46 TARGETTED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) 2016/17 MONTH 5** **41 - 116**  
Extract from the proceedings of the Policy, Resources & Growth Committee meeting held on 13 October 2016; together with a report of the Executive Director of Finance & Resources (copies attached).
- 47 ERNST & YOUNG ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER** **117 - 144**  
Report of Ernst & Young (copy attached).
- 48 DEVELOPING THE AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE** **145 - 154**  
Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources (copy attached).  
*Contact Officer: Graham Liddell Tel: 01273 291323*
- 49 STANDARDS UPDATE** **155 - 158**  
Report of the Head of Law & Monitoring Officer (copy attached).  
*Contact Officer: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis Tel: 01273 291500*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*
- 50 REVIEW OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS** **159 - 190**  
Report of the Head of Law & Monitoring Officer (copy attached).  
*Contact Officer: Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis Tel: 01273 291500*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*
- 51 CUSTOMER FEEDBACK REPORT** **191 - 206**  
Report of the Executive Lead Officer – Strategy Governance & Law (copy attached).  
*Contact Officer: Brian Foley Tel: 01273 291229*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*
- 52 ANNUAL SURVEILLANCE REPORT** **207 - 244**  
Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources (copy attached).  
*Contact Officer: Jo Player Tel: 01273 292488*  
*Ward Affected: All Wards*
- 53 ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL**  
To consider items to be submitted to the 15 December 2016 Full Council meeting for information.  
  
*In accordance with Procedure Rule 24.3a, the Committee may determine that any item is to be included in its report to Council. In addition, any Group may specify one further item to be included by notifying the*

## AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE

*Chief Executive no later than 10am on the eighth working day before the Council meeting at which the report is to be made, or if the Committee meeting take place after this deadline, immediately at the conclusion of the Committee meeting*

### 54 ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

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For further details and general enquiries about this meeting contact John Peel, (01273 291058, email [john.peel@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:john.peel@brighton-hove.gov.uk)) or email [democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk).

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