

Audit & Standards Committee

Title:	Audit & Standards Committee
Date:	7 March 2017
Time:	4.00pm
Venue	Council Chamber, Hove Town Hall, Norton Road, Hove, BN3 3BQ
Members:	Councillors: A Norman (Chair), Chapman, Cobb, Druitt, Morris, Robins (Group Spokesperson), Sykes (Group Spokesperson) and Taylor
	Co-opted Members : Diane Bushell and Dr David Horne
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Councillor Chapman

Councillor Morris

Councillor Robins

Dr David Horne

Diane Bushell

Officers

Officers

Councillor Cobb

Councillor Taylor

Councillor Druitt

Councillor Sykes

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AGENDA

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70 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.

71 MINUTES AND COMMITTEE ACTION LOG

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To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2017 (copy attached).

72 CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE

73 CALL OVER

- (a) Items (76-82) 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.

74 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 28 February 2017;
- **(c) Deputations:** to receive any deputations submitted by the due date of 12 noon on the 28 February 2017.

75 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.

76 RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT 2016 13 - 28 -17

Report of the Executive Lead Officer, Strategy Governance & Law

Contact Officer: Jackie Algar Tel: 01273 291273

Ward Affected: All Wards

77 STRATEGIC RISK FOCUS: SR15 KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE FROM 29 - 50 HARM AND ABUSE; SR17 SCHOOL PLACES PLANNING; AND SR24 WELFARE REFORM

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ERNST & YOUNG: FEBRUARY 2017 EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS 78 51 - 62 REPORT Report of Ernst & Young Ward Affected: All Wards **INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2017/18** 79 63 - 80 Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources Contact Officer: Graham Liddell Tel: 01273 291323 Ward Affected: All Wards INTERNAL AUDIT AND CORPORATE FRAUD PROGRESS REPORT 81 - 90 80 Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources Contact Officer: Graham Liddell Tel: 01273 291323 Ward Affected: All Wards COUNCIL POLICIES CONSIDERED BY THE AUDIT & STANDARDS 91 - 94 81 COMMITTEE Report of the Executive Director, Finance & Resources Contact Officer: Graham Liddell Tel: 01273 291323 Ward Affected: All Wards

82 STANDARDS UPDATE

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Report of the Head of Law & Monitoring Officer

Contact Officer: Victoria Simpson Tel: 01273 294687

Ward Affected: All Wards

ITEMS REFERRED FOR COUNCIL 83

To consider items to be submitted to the 6 April 2017 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 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.

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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) or email democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk.

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