

A meeting of the CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE will be held in the CIVIC SUITE (LANCASTER/STIRLING ROOMS), PATHFINDER HOUSE, ST MARY'S STREET, HUNTINGDON, CAMBS, PE29 3TN on WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2024 at 7:00 PM and you are requested to attend for the transaction of the following business:-

AGENDA

APOLOGIES

1. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 10)

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 25th September 2024.

Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

2. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

To receive from Members declarations as to disclosable pecuniary, other registerable and non-registerable interests in relation to any Agenda item. See Notes below.

Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

To appoint a Vice-Chair of the Committee for the remainder of the Municipal Year.

4. **COMPLAINTS AND COMPLIMENTS** (Pages 11 - 26)

To receive a report on the complaints received by the Council between April 2023 – March 2024 and complaints referred to the Local Government Ombudsman.

Contact Officer: L Sboui - (01480) 388388

5. APPROVAL FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2022/23 AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (Pages 27 - 192)

To receive the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) and Annual Financial Report (AFR) for 2022/23.

Contact Officer: S Jones - (01480) 388214

6. INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE: PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 193 - 200)

To receive a report from the Internal Audit Manager providing an update on the work completed/undertaken by the Internal Audit Service.

Contact Officer: Y Khan - (01480) 388475

7. **IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIONS** (Pages 201 - 208)

To receive an update on the implementation of audit actions.

Contact Officer: Y Khan - (01480) 388475

8. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 209 - 210)

To receive the Corporate Governance Committee Progress Report.

Contact Officer: Democratic Services - (01480) 388169

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve:

that the press and public be excluded from the meeting because the business to be transacted contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

10. EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT- INTERNAL AUDIT (Pages 211 - 244)

To receive a report on External Quality Assessment readiness of the Council's internal audit function.

Contact Officer: Y Khan - (01480) 388475

Michelle Sacks

Chief Executive and Head of Paid Service

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests.

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