

#### NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting Audit Committee

**Date and Time** Thursday, 23rd July, 2020 at 2.00 pm

Place Virtual Teams Meeting - Microsoft Teams

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#### FILMING AND BROADCAST NOTIFICATION

This meeting is being held remotely and will be recorded and broadcast live via the County Council's website.

#### AGENDA

# 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

## 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3 Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore all Members with a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting should consider whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, consider whether it is appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

#### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 20 FEBRUARY 2020 (Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting.

#### 4. **DEPUTATIONS**

To receive any deputations notified under Standing Order 12.

## 5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements the Chairman may wish to make.

### 6. INFORMATION COMPLIANCE - USE OF REGULATED INVESTIGATORY POWERS (Pages 11 - 20)

To receive the quarterly update on the County Council's use of regulated investigatory powers.

# 7. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLANNING REPORT UPDATE 2019/20 (Pages 21 - 64)

To receive an update to the external audit plan for both Hampshire County Council and the Hampshire Pension Fund for the year ending 31 March 2020.

# 8. INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT AND OPINION 2019/20 (Pages 65 - 86)

To consider a report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources outlining the annual report and opinion of the Chief Internal Auditor regarding the County Council's framework of risk management, internal control and governance.

#### 9. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2020/21 (Pages 87 - 122)

To consider a report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources providing an overview of the County Council's Internal Audit Plan.

#### 10. INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER 2020/21 (Pages 123 - 136)

To consider a report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources presenting the Internal Audit Charter 2020/21 in accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards.

#### **11. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT** (Pages 137 - 158)

To consider the report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources and Director of Transformation and Governance and presenting the Annual Governance Statement.

# 12. ANNUAL TREASURY OUTTURN REPORT 2019/20 (Pages 159 - 176)

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services giving details on treasury activity during 2019/20.

### **13. HIGHER YIELDING STRATEGY UPDATE** (Pages 177 - 190)

To consider a report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources providing an update on performance against the higher yielding strategy and ongoing review and scrutiny of these investments.

#### 14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS DISCLOSURE 2019/20 UPDATE (Pages 191 - 196)

To consider a report of the Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources presenting the current position regarding the 2019/20 related party declaration returns.

#### 15. MINUTES OF THE HAMPSHIRE PENSION FUND PANEL AND BOARD MEETING - 13 DECEMBER 2019 (LESS EXEMPT) (Pages 197 - 208)

To receive the non-exempt minutes of the Hampshire Pension Fund Panel and Board meeting held on 13 December 2019.

# 16. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve that the public be excluded from the meeting during the following item of business, as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all the circumstances of the cases, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the exempt minutes.

#### 17. MINUTES OF THE HAMPSHIRE PENSION FUND PANEL AND BOARD MEETING - 13 DECEMBER 2019 (EXEMPT) (Pages 209 -214)

To receive the exempt minutes of the Hampshire Pension Fund Panel and Board meeting held on 13 December 2019.

# 18. CORPORATE RISK REGISTER AND APPROACH TO COVID-19 RISK (Pages 215 - 234)

To consider a report of the Director of Transformation and Governance providing an overview of and update against the key aspects of the County Council's risk management arrangements.

# ABOUT THIS AGENDA:

# On request, this agenda can be provided in alternative versions (such as large print, Braille or audio) and in alternative languages.

County Councillors attending as appointed members of this Committee or by virtue of Standing Order 18.5; or with the concurrence of the Chairman in connection with their duties as members of the Council or as a local County Councillor qualify for travelling expenses.