



Committee: AUDIT COMMITTEE
Date: WEDNESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 2017
Venue: LANCASTER TOWN HALL
Time: 6.10 P.M.

A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Minutes**

Minutes of meeting held on 28th June 2017 (previously circulated).

3. **Items of urgent business authorised by the Chairman**

4. **Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Members should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

5. **The Annual Governance Statement 2016/17** (Pages 1 - 11)

Report of the Chief Executive.

6. **Statement of Accounts 2016/17** (Pages 12 - 133)

Report of the Chief Officer (Resources)

7. **Internal Audit Monitoring** (Pages 134 - 136)

Report of the Interim Internal Audit and Assurance Manager.

8. **Counter Fraud - Annual Report 2016/17** (Pages 137 - 149)

Report of the Corporate Fraud Manager.

9. **Local Government Ombudsman's Annual Review Letter 2016/17** (Pages 150 - 155)

Report of the Interim Internal Audit and Assurance Manager.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

(i) Membership

Councillors Abbott Bryning (Chairman), Colin Hartley (Vice-Chairman), Nathan Burns, Elizabeth Scott, Malcolm Thomas, David Whitaker and Nicholas Wilkinson

(ii) Substitute Membership

Councillors Stuart Bateson (Substitute), Tim Hamilton-Cox (Substitute), Brendan Hughes (Substitute), Roger Sherlock (Substitute) and Peter Williamson (Substitute)

(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Sarah Moorghen, Democratic Services - telephone 01524 582132, or email smoorghen@lancaster.gov.uk.

(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

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