



Dear Councillor

The next meeting of the **ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT** will be held at **6.30 pm** on **WEDNESDAY, 14 APRIL 2021** by Zoom.

I do hope you can be there.

Yours sincerely

M. H. Scott

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** (Pages 3 - 4)
3. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in respect of matters contained in the agenda.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

ITEMS FOR DECISION

5. **APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT PERSON** (Pages 5 - 6)
Report of the Chief Executive enclosed.
6. **REVIEW OF CODE OF CONDUCT** (Pages 7 - 26)
Report of the Chief Executive enclosed.
7. **INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER 2021/22** (Pages 27 - 36)
Report of Director of Resources enclosed.
8. **STRATEGIC INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2021/22 TO 2023/24** (Pages 37 - 56)
Report of Director of Resources enclosed.

9. **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES 2020/21** (Pages 57 - 76)
Report of Director of Resources enclosed.
10. **CLOSURE OF ACCOUNTS TIMETABLE 2020/21** (Pages 77 - 108)
Report of Director of Resources enclosed.
- ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**
11. **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT 2020/21** (Pages 109 - 114)
Report of Director of Resources enclosed.
12. **ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER** (Pages 115 - 130)
Report of Grant Thornton enclosed.
13. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 131 - 148)
Report of Grant Thornton enclosed.
14. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**
None.
15. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**
None.

Electronic agendas sent to members of Accounts and Audit – Councillor Richard Bennett (Chair), Councillor David Birtwhistle, Councillor Ian Brown (Vice-Chair), Councillor Robert (Bob) Buller, Councillor Louise Edge, Councillor Stewart Fletcher, Councillor Jonathan Hill, Councillor Angeline Humpheys, Councillor Richard Newmark, Councillor David Peat and Councillor Richard Sherras.

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