

Friday, 8 March 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Governance, Audit and Standards Committee will be held on Monday, 18 March 2024 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston NG9 1AB, commencing at 7.00 pm.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

To Councillors: S J Carr (Chair) K Harlow

S Paterson (Vice-Chair) G S Hills
P J Bales A Kingdon
M Brown J M Owen
R Bullock C M Tideswell

G Bunn S Webb

R S Falvey

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies and to be notified of the attendance of substitutes.

2. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

(Pages 5 - 12)

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

3. <u>MINUTES</u> (Pages 13 - 16)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2023.

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4. <u>AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION</u>

(Pages 17 - 48)

To consider amendments to the Constitution regaring Portfoilo Holders' Responsibilities in relation to Complaints and to recommend these to full Council to be adopted.

5. CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW

Members are asked to consider the formation of a Task and Finish Group with the aim of providing input and oversight of the Constitutional review. Further information will be provided at the meeting.

6. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS AND ASSOCIATED MATTERS

(Pages 49 - 84)

To note progress with the audit of the Statement of Accounts for both 2021/22 and 2022/23 and to receive an updated Auditor's Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022.

7. <u>STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2023/24 - ACCOUNTING</u> POLICIES

(Pages 85 - 106)

To provide Members with any updates made to the Council's accounting policies in relation to the production of the 2023/24 financial statements.

8. <u>STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2023/24 - UNDERLYING PENSION ASSUMPTIONS</u>

(Pages 107 - 112)

To provide Members with information regarding the assumptions made by the pension fund actuary in calculating the IAS19 figures to be reported in the 2023/24 Statement of Accounts.

9. REVIEW OF STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

(Pages 113 - 128)

To approve the amendments to the Strategic Risk Register and the action plans identified to mitigate risks.

10. <u>DEBATE NOT HATE MOTION</u>

(Pages 129 - 134)

To report back the Officer and Member Task and Finish Groups recommendations having considered the Local Government Association (LGA) 'Debate Not Hate' Campaign objectives in more detail.

11. WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages 135 - 136)

To consider items for inclusion in the Work Programme for future meetings.