

GOVERNANCE, AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 2021

Present: Councillor E Williamson, Chair

Councillors: S A Bagshaw (Vice-Chair)
E Cubley
J M Owen
P J Owen (substitute)
J C Patrick
M Radulovic MBE
H E Skinner
P D Simpson
C M Tideswell (substitute)
I L Tyler
D K Watts

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M Handley, H G Khaled MBE and J P T Parker.

17 APOLOGIES

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed and signed.

18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

19 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 July 2021 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

20 EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE 2020/21

The Committee noted a report which provided an update on progress in delivering the external auditor's responsibilities.

21 REVIEW OF STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER

The Committee considered amendments to the Strategic Risk Register and the action plans identified to mitigate risks.

RESOLVED that the amendments to the Strategic Risk Register and the actions to mitigate risks as set out in appendix 2 be approved.

22 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The Committee noted the recent work completed by Internal Audit. It was noted that Internal Audit had also reviewed progress made by management in implementing agreed actions within six months of the completion of the respective audits.

23 ANNUAL COUNTER FRAUD REPORT

The Committee were provided with an update on counter fraud and corruption and money laundering prevention activity in 2020/21. It was noted that the Council was committed to establishing a strong anti-fraud and corruption culture and would take all necessary steps to prevent, detect and punish fraudulent and corrupt acts.

24 WORK PROGRAMME

Members considered the Work Programme.

RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved.