Rother District Council

Audit and Standards Committee

Date and Time - Monday 26 June 2017 - 6:30pm

Venue - Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea



Councillors appointed to the Committee: M. Mooney (Chairman), A.K. Azad, J. Barnes, R.K. Bird, R.C. Carroll, K.P. Dixon, S.H. Earl and T.W. Graham.

AGENDA

- MINUTES To authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 5 December 2016, the Audit Committee held on 27 March 2017 and the Audit and Standards Committee held on 15 May 2017 as correct records of the proceedings.
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 3. **ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS** To consider such other items as the Chairman decides are urgent and due notice of which has been given to the Head of Paid Service by 12 Noon on the day of the meeting.
- 4. **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS** To receive any disclosure by Members of personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Member regards the personal interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to the commencement of the item in question.

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PART A - STANDARDS REPORTS

- 5. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES
 - 1) Introduction to Standards: 1 Review of Arrangements for Dealing with Member Complaints, 2) Investigation and Hearing Procedures: 17 Code of Conduct Complaints Monitoring: 3) 37 Independent Persons - Recruitment; and 39 4) Ombudsman Complaints Monitoring. 41 5)

PART B – AUDIT REPORTS

6. REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITORS - BDO

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7.	REF	PORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES	
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	4)	Annual Governance Statement – TO FOLLOW;	-
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	7)	Work Programme.	207

Dr Anthony Leonard Executive Director of Business Operations

Despatch Date: 16 June 2017

<u>Invitees in respect of Standards Related Reports only:</u>

Independent Persons: Mrs S. Fellows and Mrs J. Gray.

Parish/Town Councillor Representatives: Councillors Mrs W.M. Miers and T. A. Stainsby.

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