

Audit and Standards Committee

Date and Time - Monday 25 March 2024 – 6:30pm

Venue - Council Chamber, Town Hall, Bexhill-on-Sea

Councillors appointed to the Committee:

B.J. Drayson (Chair), J. Barnes (MBE) (Vice-Chair), A.E. Biggs, Mrs V. Cook (exofficio), P.J. Gray, A.P. Hayward, S.B. McGurk, C. Pearce and R.B. Thomas.

Audit Independent Person: Mr Patrick Farmer

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To authorise the Chair to sign the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee held on the 28 February 2024 as a correct record of the proceedings.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

To consider such other items as the Chair 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 AND DISPENSATIONS

To receive any disclosures by Members of disclosable pecuniary interests / other registerable interests / non-registerable interests in matters on the agenda and the nature of any interest and details of any dispensations obtained. Members are reminded of the need to repeat their declaration immediately prior to the commencement of the item in question.

PART A - STANDARDS REPORTS - NONE

PART B - AUDIT REPORTS

5. **PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE DECISION-MAKING STRUCTURE -REDUCTION OF MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE** (Pages 3 - 6)

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- 6. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2023 (Pages 7 22)
- 7. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE REPORT QUARTER 3** (Pages 23 34)
- 8. **REVIEW OF INTERNAL AUDIT 2023/24** (Pages 35 44)
- 9. **ROTHER DC HOUSING COMPANY GOVERNANCE MONITORING** (Pages 45 52)
- 10. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024/25 (Pages 53 68)
- 11. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 69 70)

Lorna Ford Chief Executive

Agenda Despatch Date: 15 March 2024