

Meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee

**Monday 7th December, 2020 at 6.00pm
on Microsoft Teams**

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Agenda - Public Session

(Meeting open to the public and press)

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To report the appointment of any substitute members serving for this meeting of the Committee.
3. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct.
4. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 21st September, 2020 as a correct record.
5. Risk Management – Pages 1-20
6. Annual Report of the Committee on Standards in Public Life 2019/2020 – Pages 21-41
7. To consider any questions from Members to the Chair where two clear days notice has been given to the Monitoring Officer (Council Procedure Rule 11.8).
8. Under the provisions of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the Monitoring Officer has decided that there will be no advance disclosure of the following reports because the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure. The submission of these reports complies with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.
9. Resolution to exclude the public and press.


Chair to move:

“That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to any individuals under Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.”

Agenda - Private Session

(Meeting not open to the public and press)

10. Suspensions under the provisions of the Employee Improvement and Disciplinary Procedure or relevant Schools Disciplinary Procedure – Pages 42-47
11. Annual Audit Report for the Chief Executive – Pages 48-155
12. Audit Services Interim Performance Report – Pages 156-174



Chief Executive

Dated: 27th November, 2020

Distribution:

Members of the Audit and Standards Committee:

Councillor A Taylor (Chair)

Councillor J Roberts (Vice-Chair)

Councillors A Aston, J Cowell, M Evans, S Keasey, S Mughal, G Partridge and
T Westwood

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