

Audit, Governance & Standards

Committee

Thu 26 Nov 2020 7.00 pm

Virtual Meeting, Skype



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Membership:

Cllrs: John Fisher (Chair)

Mark Shurmer (Vice-

Chair)

Salman Akbar

Tom Baker-Price Juliet Brunner

Peter Fleming Yvonne Smith David Thain Craig Warhurst

- **1.** Apologies and named Substitutes
- **2.** Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and/or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

- **3.** Minutes (Pages 1 8)
- 4. Public Speaking

Members of the public have an opportunity to speak at meetings of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee. In order to do so members of the public must register by 12 noon on the day of the meeting. A maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated to public speaking.

- **5.** Monitoring Officer's Report Standards Regime (Pages 9 12)
- **6.** Progress on Best Practice Recommendations for Audit, Standards and Governance Committees (Pages 13 28)
- 7. Grant Thornton Progress and Sector Update (Pages 29 44)
- **8.** Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 45 72)
- **9.** Corporate Governance Monitoring and Risk Verbal Update
- 10. Risk Champion Update
- 11. Independent Member Recruitment Verbal Update

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12. Committee Work Programme (Pages 73 - 74)