

Shropshire Council Legal and Democratic Services Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury SY2 6ND

Date: Wednesday, 18 June

2014 My Ref: Your Ref:

Committee:

**Audit Committee** 

Date: Thursday, 26 June 2014

Time: 9.30 am

Venue: Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury,

Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting. The Agenda is attached

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Claire Porter

Corporate Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

#### **Members of Audit Committee**

Brian Williams (Chairman)
Michael Wood (Vice Chairman)
John Cadwallader

Chris Mellings Mansel Williams

#### Your Committee Officer is:

Liz Sidaway Committee Officer

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## **AGENDA**

4	Election	of Chairman
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#### 2 Apologies for Absence / Notification of Substitutes

### 3 Appointment of Vice Chairman

### 4 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

### 5 Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 27 March 2014 (Pages 1 - 6)

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 27 March 2014 are attached for confirmation marked agenda item 5.

Contact Liz Sidaway (01743) 252885

#### 6 Public Questions

To receive any questions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.

#### 7 Update on Programme Management Controls and Risks (Pages 7 - 12)

The report of the Director of Commissioning is attached marked Item 7. Contact: George Candler 01743 255003

### 8 Council Tax and National Non Domestic Rates (NNDR) Performance Monitoring Report (Pages 13 - 20)

The report of the Revenues Manager is attached, agenda item 8. Contact: Phil Weir 01743 256113

#### **9 Revenue Outturn Report 2013/2014** (Pages 21 - 38)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 9.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

#### **10** Capital Outturn Report 2013/2014 (Pages 39 - 68)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 10.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

#### 11 Review of the Annual Statement of Accounts 2013/2014 (Pages 69 - 236)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 11.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

### **12** Annual Whistleblowing Report (Pages 237 - 238)

The report of the Head of Human Resources is attached marked agenda item 12.

Contact: Michele Leith 01743 254402

### 13 Review of the Code of Corporate Governance 2013/2014 (Pages 239 - 278)

The report of the Engagement Auditor is attached as agenda item 13. Contact: Katie Williams 01743 252087

# Annual Governance Statement and a Review of the Effectiveness of the Council's System of Internal Control 2013/2014 (Pages 279 - 308)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 14.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

#### **15 Internal Audit Annual Report 2013/2014** (Pages 309 - 332)

The report of the Audit Service Manager is attached marked 15. Contact: Ceri Pilawski (01743) 252027

# Annual Review of the Effectiveness of the System of Internal Audit and Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme (QAIP) 2013/2014 (Pages 333 - 342)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 16.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

# 17 Annual Assurance Report of the Audit Committee to Council 2013/2014 (Pages 343 - 356)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached as agenda item 17.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

#### **18 External Audit: Certification Plan 2013/2014** (Pages 357 - 364)

The report of the External Auditor: Grant Thornton is attached as agenda item 18.

Contact: Grant Patterson 0121 232 5296

#### **19 External Audit: Annual Fee Letter 2014/2015** (Pages 365 - 370)

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# **20 External Audit: Audit Plan for the Pension Fund 2013/2014** (Pages 371 - 384)

The report of the External Auditor: Grant Thornton is attached as agenda item 20

Contact: Grant Patterson 0121 232 5296

#### 21 External Audit: Audit Committee Update (Pages 385 - 420)

The report of the External Auditor: Grant Thornton is attached as agenda item 21.

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#### **22 External Audit: Value for Money Conclusion** (Pages 421 - 432)

The report of the External Auditor: Grant Thornton is attached as agenda item 22

Contact: Emily Mayne 07880 456112

#### 23 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on the 18 September 2014 at 10.00 am in the Shrewsbury Room.

#### 24 Exclusion of Press and Public

To RESOLVE that in accordance with the provision of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Section 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrnagements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations and Paragraphs 2, 3 and 7 of the Council's Access to Information Rules, the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following item.

# Fraud and Special Investigation Update June 2014 (Exempted by Categories 2, 3 and 7) (Pages 433 - 436)

The report of the Engagement Auditor is attached as agenda item 25. Contact: Katie Williams 01743 252087