

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

Date: 16 November 2016 My Ref: Your Ref:

Committee: Audit Committee

Date:Thursday, 24 November 2016Time:9.30 amVenue:Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury,
Shropshire, SY2 6ND

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

Claire Porter Corporate Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Audit Committee

Tim Barker (Chairman) John Cadwallader (Vice Chairman) Chris Mellings Pamela Moseley David Turner

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence / Notification of Substitutes

2 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.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 15 September 2016 (Pages 1 - 10)

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 15 September 2016 are attached for confirmation marked 3. Contact Michelle Dulson (01743) 257719

4 Public Questions

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

5 Management Report: AGS Action Plan Update (Pages 11 - 18)

The report of the Chief Executive Officer is attached, marked 5. Contact Clive Wright (01743) 258675

6 Management Report: Assurances on Social Care Commissioning

The report of the Chief Executive Officer is to follow. Contact Clive Wright (01743) 258675

7 Management Report: Council Tax and Non-Domestic Rates Performance Monitoring Report (Pages 19 - 28)

The report of the Revenues and Benefits Service Manager is attached, marked 7.

Contact Phil Weir (01743) 256159

8 Management Report: Treasury Strategy Mid-Year Report 2016/17 (Pages 29 - 50)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151 Officer) is attached, marked 8. Contact: James Walton (01743) 255011

9 Annual Review of Counter Fraud, Bribery and Anti-Corruption activities, including an update on the National Fraud Initiative (Pages 51 - 58)

The report of the Head of Audit is attached, marked 9. Contact: Ceri Pilawski (01743) 257739

10 Annual Review of Audit Committee Terms of Reference (Pages 59 - 68)

The report of the S151 Officer is attached, marked 10. Contact: James Walton (01743) 255011

11 Annual Audit Committee Self-Assessment (Pages 69 - 92)

The report of the S151 Officer is attached, marked 11. Contact: James Walton (01743) 255011

12 Internal Audit Performance Report and Revised Annual Audit Plan 2016/17 (Pages 93 - 104)

The report of the Head of Audit is attached, marked 12. Contact: Ceri Pilawski (01743) 257739

13 External Audit: Annual Audit Letter 2015/16 Shropshire Council (Pages 105 - 124)

The report of the Engagement Lead is attached, marked 13. Contact: Mark Stocks (0121) 232 5356

14 External Audit: Audit Committee update (Pages 125 - 134)

The report of the Engagement Lead is attached, marked 14. Contact: Mark Stocks (0121) 232 5356

15 Changes to arrangements for appointment of External Auditors (Pages 135 - 140)

The report of the S151 Officer is attached, marked 15. Contact: James Walton (01743) 255011

16 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on the 22 February 2017 at 9.30am in the Shrewsbury Room.

17 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 Arrangements)(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.

18 Exempt Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 September 2016 (Pages 141 - 144)

The exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2016 are attached for confirmation, marked 18. Contact: Michelle Dulson (01743) 257719

19 Internal Audit: Fraud, Special Investigation and RIPA Update (Exempted by Categories 2, 3 and 7) (Pages 145 - 146)

The report of the Principal Auditor is attached, marked 19. Contact: Peter Chadderton (01743) 257737