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Shirehall
Abbey Foregate
Shrewsbury
SY2 6ND

Date: 12 July 2022
My Ref:
Your Ref:

Committee:
Audit Committee

Date: Wednesday, 20 July 2022
Time: 10.00 am
**Venue: Wilfred Owen Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate,
Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND**

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

Members of the public will be able to access the live stream of the meeting by clicking on this link:

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/auditcommitteemeeting20july22/>

If you wish to attend the meeting, please e-mail democracy@shropshire.gov.uk to check that a seat will be available for you.

Members of Audit Committee

Rosemary Dartnall
Simon Harris (Vice Chairman)
Nigel Lumby

Brian Williams (Chairman)
Roger Evans

Your Committee Officer is:

Michelle Dulson Committee Officer
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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence / Notification of Substitutes

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must declare their disclosable pecuniary interests and other registrable or non-registrable interests in any matter being considered at the meeting as set out in Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct and consider if they should leave the room prior to the item being considered. Further advice can be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 22 February 2022 (Pages 1 - 8)

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 22 February 2022 are attached for confirmation.

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. The deadline for this meeting is 5.00pm on Thursday 14 July 2022.

5 Members questions

To receive any questions of which Members of the Council have given notice. The deadline for notification for this meeting is 5.00pm on Thursday 14 July 2022.

6 Second line assurance: Annual Whistleblowing report (Pages 9 - 14)

The report of the Assistant Director - Workforce and Improvement is attached.

Contact: Sam Williams (01743) 252817

7 Second line assurance: Strategic Risks update (Pages 15 - 20)

The report of the Risk, Insurance and Resilience Manager is attached.

Contact: Angela Beechey (01743) 258915

8 Third line assurance: (a) Internal Audit Performance Report and (b) Annual report 2021/22 (Pages 21 - 68)

The report of the Head of Audit is attached.

Contact: Ceri Pilawski (01743) 257739

9 Third line assurance: Annual review of Internal Audit, Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme (QAIP) 2021/22 (Pages 69 - 82)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

10 Overall assurance: Annual Governance Statement and a review of the effectiveness of the Council's internal controls and Shropshire's Code of Corporate Governance 2021/22 (Pages 83 - 134)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

11 Third line assurance: Annual Assurance report of Audit Committee to Council 2021/22 (Pages 135 - 152)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

12 Second line assurance: Financial outturn report 2021/22 (Pages 153 - 200)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

13 Second line assurance: Approval of the Council's Statement of Accounts 2021/22 (Pages 201 - 426)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

14 Third line of assurance: External Audit: Audit progress report and sector update (Pages 427 - 440)

The report of the Engagement Lead is attached.
Contact: Grant Patterson (0121) 232 5296

15 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on the 15 September 2022 at 10.00 am.

16 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 items.

17 Exempt minutes of the previous meeting held on the 22 February 2022
(Pages 441 - 442)

The Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 22 February 2022 are attached for confirmation.

Contact: Michelle Dulson 01743 257719

18 First line assurance: Highways Management assurance report incorporating Fix my Street update (Pages 443 - 484)

The exempt report of the Assistant Director Infrastructure is attached.

Contact: Steve Smith (01743) 253949

19 Third line assurance: Fraud, special investigation and RIPA updates (Exempted by Categories 2, 3 and 7) (Pages 485 - 490)

The exempt report of the Principal Auditor is attached.

Contact: Katie Williams (01743) 257737