

Meeting **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Date and Time **THURSDAY 26 JUNE 2014 AT 2.15PM**

Place **CHUTE ROOM, ELIZABETH II COURT SOUTH, THE CASTLE, WINCHESTER**

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AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3 Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore all Members with a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting should consider whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, consider whether it is appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

3 MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2014.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5 KEY ASPECTS OF RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENT PLAN

To consider a report of the Director of Policy and Governance – Corporate Services on the key aspects of the County Council's Risk Management Strategy and associated Improvement Plan.

6 INFORMATION COMPLIANCE - USE OF REGULATED INVESTIGATORY POWERS

To consider a report of the Director of Policy and Governance – Corporate Services on the County Council’s uses of its investigatory powers in the last three months.

7 INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER

To consider the report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services seeking approval of the County Council’s Internal Audit Charter.

8 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2014/15

To consider the report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services seeking approval of the Internal Audit Plan for 2014/15.

9 EFFECTIVENESS OF INTERNAL AUDIT

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services giving an overview of the measures in place to monitor and maintain internal effectiveness.

10 INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT AND OPINION 2013/14

To consider the report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services on the Annual Report and Opinion for 2013-2014.

11 TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN REPORT 2013-14

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services giving an update on treasury management activities.

12 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

To consider a report of the Director of Policy and Governance – Corporate Services seeking approval of the Annual Governance Statement.

**13 (a) HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL AUDIT PLANNING REPORT 2013/14
(b) HAMPSHIRE PENSION FUND AUDIT PLANNING REPORT 2013/14
(c) HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL FEE LETTER 2014/15
(d) HAMPSHIRE PENSION FUND FEE LETTER 2014/15**

To receive reports from the County Council’s Auditors relating to audits carried out for Hampshire County Council and the Hampshire Pension Fund and their associated fees.

14 PRESENTATION ON “PROTECTING THE PUBLIC PURSE 2013 - FIGHTING FRAUD AGAINST LOCAL GOVERNMENT NOVEMBER 2013”.

To receive a joint presentation by the Director of Corporate Resources – Corporate Services and the County Council’s Auditors on “Protecting the Public Purse.

15 MINUTES OF PENSION FUND PANEL MEETING – 28 FEBRUARY 2014 - (LESS EXEMPT APPENDICES):

To receive the minutes of the Pension Fund Panel meeting on 28 February 2014 (Less exempt appendix).

16 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To resolve that the public be excluded from the meeting during the following items of business, as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and further that in all the circumstances of the cases, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons set out in the reports.

17 MINUTES OF PENSION FUND PANEL MEETING – 28 FEBRUARY 2014 (EXEMPT APPENDIX) (Item 15 above refers)

To receive the minutes of the Pension Fund Panel 28 February 2014 (Exempt appendix).

ABOUT THIS AGENDA:

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