

26 January 2018

AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee will be held on **TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2018** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm.**



David Hagg
Chief Executive

Please Note: This meeting will be filmed for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's internet site (www.stroud.gov.uk). By entering the Council Chamber you are consenting to being filmed. The whole of the meeting will be filmed except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of the press and public.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies for absence
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive declarations of interest
3. **MINUTES**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2017.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
The Chair of Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.
DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS
Noon on THURSDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2018
Questions must be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and sent by post or by Email: democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk.
5. **STANDING ITEMS**
 - (a) To consider the work programme.
 - (b) To receive a verbal update on Risk Management.

6. **REVIEW OF ETHICAL FRAMEWORK**
To receive a report on the establishment of a member group to undertake a review and make recommendations back to Committee.
7. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2017/18**
To receive a verbal update from KPMG.
8. **ANNUAL REPORT ON GRANTS AND RETURNS 2016/17**
To receive a verbal update summarising the key findings from KPMG audit.
9. **INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITY PROGRESS REPORT 2017/18**
To inform Members of the internal audit activity progress in relation to the approved internal audit plan.
10. **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2016/17 IMPROVEMENT PLAN – PROGRESS REPORT**
To receive an update of the Council's Corporate Governance arrangements.
11. **3RD QUARTER TREASURY MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY REPORT 2017/18**
To provide an update on treasury management activity as at 31/12/2017.
12. **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY, ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY AND MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION POLICY STATEMENT 2018/19**
To consider the Council's prudential indicators for 2018/19 – 2020/21 together with the treasury strategy for this period and make recommendations to Council as set out within the report.
13. **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**
See Agenda Item 4 for deadline for submission

Members of Audit and Standards Committee

Councillor Nigel Studdert-Kennedy (Chair)
Councillor Rachel Curley (Vice Chair)
Councillor Martin Baxendale
Councillor Stephen Davies
Councillor Colin Fryer

Councillor Keith Pearson
Councillor Mark Reeves
Councillor Tom Williams
Councillor Penny Wride