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AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee will be held on <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>13 JULY</u> <u>2021</u> in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at <u>7.00 pm</u>

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Kathy O'Leary Chief Executive

Please Note: The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's <u>YouTube Channel</u>. A recording of the meeting will be published onto the <u>Council's website</u>. The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

Due to current Covid-19 regulations a maximum of 6 members of public will be permitted in the Council Chamber at any one time, if you would like to attend this meeting please contact <u>democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk</u>.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES

To receive apologies of absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2021.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

This 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, 8 July 2021

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk

5. <u>INFORMATION GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK (Pages 13 - 72)</u>

To adopt the Information Governance Framework.

6. ANNUAL REPORT ON INTERNAL AUDIT ACTIVITY 2020/21 (Pages 73 - 120)

To provide the Committee with an annual report on Internal Audit Activity which fully meets the Head of Audit Risk Assurance's (ARA) annual reporting requirements, as set out in the Public Sector Internal Auditing Standards (PSIAS) 2017.

7. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2020/21 (Pages 121 - 158)

To summarise Stroud District Council's corporate governance arrangements in place during 2020/21, via the publication of an Annual Governance Statement.

8. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2020/21 (Pages 159 - 272)

To approve the unaudited Statement of Accounts 2020/21 and signed by the Strategic Director of Resources on 1 July 2021.

9. EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN (Pages 273 - 306)

To receive an update from External Auditors Deloitte.

10. TREASURY MANAGEMENT (Pages 307 - 330)

To advise on the treasury management activities in 2020/2021, in accordance with the Council's Treasury Policy Statement. To report on actual 2020/2021 Prudential Indicators in accordance with the requirements of the Prudential Code.

11. PLANNING REVIEW (Pages 331 - 334)

To receive a verbal update and to consider the draft terms of reference in Appendix A.

12. STANDING ITEMS

- (a) To consider the Work Programme for 2021/22 (Pages 335 336)
- (b) To consider any risk management issues

13. MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

Members of Audit and Standards Committee

Councillor Nigel Studdert-Kennedy (Chair) Councillor Martin Pearcy (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Paula Baker Councillor Chris Brine Councillor Stephen Davies Councillor Nick Hurst Councillor Norman Kay Councillor Keith Pearson Councillor Rich Wilsher