

RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

at the Council Offices, Farnborough on Wednesday, 27th September 2023 at 7.00 pm

To:

Voting Members:

Cllr P.J. Cullum (Chairman) Cllr S Trussler (Vice-Chairman)

> Cllr A. Adeola Cllr C.W. Card Cllr A.H. Gani Cllr Christine Guinness Cllr Nadia Martin Cllr Sarah Spall Cllr Nem Thapa Cllr Jacqui Vosper Cllr Gareth Williams

Non-Voting Member:

Mr Tom Davies - Independent Member (Audit)

Standing Deputies:

Conservative Group: Cllr Peace Essien-Igodifo and Cllr S.J. Masterson Labour Group: Cllr K. Dibble and Cllr C.P. Grattan Liberal Democrat: Cllr T.W. Mitchell

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AGENDA

1. **MINUTES –** (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th July 2023 (copy attached).

2. ANNUAL OMBUDSMAN COMPLAINT REVIEW LETTER 2023 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN – (Pages 5 - 10)

To receive the Monitoring Officer's Report No. CS231907 (copy attached), which summarises the outcome and findings of the annual review letter from the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman, which reviews complaints received by the Ombudsman.

3. TREASURY MANAGEMENT AND NON-TREASURY INVESTMENT OPERATIONS 2022/23 – (Pages 11 - 40)

To consider the Executive Head of Finance Report No FIN2314, which sets out the main activities of the Treasury Management and Non-Treasury Investment Operations during 2022/23.

4. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS/EXTERNAL AUDIT OPINION - UPDATE – (Pages 41 - 70)

To receive an update from the Executive Head of Finance on the latest position in respect of the 2020-21 Annual Statement of Accounts and External Audit Opinion. The final version of the Annual Audit Letter for the year ended 31st March 2020 is attached for noting and information. (Previously this letter was circulated to the Committee as a draft).

5. **INTERNAL AUDIT - AUDIT UPDATE –** (Pages 71 - 74)

To receive the Audit Manager's Report No. AUD2307 (copy attached), which sets out work carried out by Internal Audit since the previous report, an update on the overall progress on the Audit Plan and an update on outstanding issues.

6. **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION - ANNUAL UPDATE –** (Pages 75 - 78)

To consider the Corporate Manager, Legal Services Report No. LEG2301 (copy attached), which sets out the Council's Annual Report on Freedom of Information requests.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT MEETINGS

Members of the public may ask to speak at the meeting on any of the items on the agenda by writing to the Committee Administrator at the Council Offices, Farnborough by 5.00 pm two working days prior to the meeting.