

RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

at the Council Offices, Farnborough on Wednesday, 25th September, 2024 at 7.00 pm

To:

Cllr A.H. Crawford (Chairman)
Cllr Bill O'Donovan (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr A. Adeola
Cllr Gaynor Austin
Cllr C.W. Card
Cllr Rhian Jones
Cllr M.J. Roberts
Cllr M.D. Smith
Cllr Sarah Spall
Cllr P.G. Taylor
Cllr Jacqui Vosper

Non-Voting Member:

Mr. Tom Davies – Independent Member (Audit)

Standing Deputies:

Cllr Leola Card, Cllr Lisa Greenway, Cllr Julie Hall, Cllr S.J. Masterson, Cllr T.W. Mitchell, Cllr M.J Tennant

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AGENDA

1. **MINUTES –** (Pages 1 - 8)

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st July, 2024 (copy attached).

2. **ANNUAL OMBUDSMAN COMPLAINT REVIEW LETTER 2024 –** (Pages 9 - 14)

To receive the Monitoring Officer's Report No. CS240911 (copy attached), which summarises the outcome and findings of the Annual Review Letter 2023/24 from the Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman

3. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS/EXTERNAL AUDIT OPINION - UPDATE -

The Executive Head of Finance to provide an update to the Committee including proposals for the 'backstop' arrangements for the accounts prior to 2023/24.

4. **INTERNAL AUDIT - AUDIT UPDATE -** (Pages 15 - 20)

To receive the Audit Manager's Report No. AUD2407 (copy attached) which provides an update on the 2024/25 Audit Plan.

5. UPDATE ON GOVERNANCE ACTIONS - CIPFA REPORT AND LGA CORPORATE PEER CHALLENGE -

The Committee to receive a verbal update on the actions planned to address the governance issues raised in the CIPFA Financial Resilience Review Report and LGA Corporate Peer Challenge feedback report.

6. CORPORATE POLICY AND GUIDANCE ON SURVEILLANCE AND THE USE OF THE REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 – (Pages 21 - 24)

To consider the Corporate Manager – Legal Services' Report No. LEG2402 (copy attached) updating the Committee on the Council's surveillance activities within and outside the scope of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (RIPA) Act 2000.

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.
