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Governance Committee

A virtual meeting of the Committee will be held at **10.30 am on Monday, 6 July 2020.**

Note: In accordance with regulations in response to the current public health emergency, this meeting will be held virtually with members in remote attendance. Public access is via webcasting.

The meeting will be available to watch live via the Internet at this address:

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Agenda

1. Declarations of Interest

Members and officers must declare any pecuniary or personal interest in any business on the agenda. They should also make declarations at any stage such as an interest becomes apparent during the meeting. Consideration should be given to leaving the meeting if the nature of the interest warrants it. If in doubt please contact Democratic Services before the meeting.

2. Minutes of the last meeting of the Committee (Pages 3 - 8)

The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 22 June 2020 (cream paper).

3. Urgent Matters

Items not on the agenda which the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances.

4. Joint leadership arrangement with East Sussex County Council (Pages 9 - 12)

Report by Director of Law and Assurance.

The Council in December 2019 entered into an arrangement with East Sussex County Council for the joint appointment of a chief executive and for the provision of mutual support to address a range of corporate challenges. The Committee is asked to review the arrangement by reference to its original aims and in light of experience.

5. **Good Governance Review** (Pages 13 - 28)

Report by Director of Law and Assurance.

To consider the implications, for those areas for which the Committee is responsible, of the programme of work on aspects of Council governance and to endorse the revised whistleblowing policy as part of the good governance work related to organisational culture.

6. **Plans for Member Meetings during the Covid-19 Emergency** (Pages 29 - 32)

Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.

The Committee is asked to consider proposals for an additional meeting of full Council in September.

7. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 2.15 p.m. on Monday, 7 September 2020.

To all members of the Governance Committee