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Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee

A meeting of the Committee will be held at **10.30 am** on **Wednesday, 1 February 2023** at **County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RQ**.

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Agenda

- 10.30 am 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 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 5 - 10)
- The Committee is asked to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2022 (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.
- 10.40 am 4. **Annual Governance Statement 2021/22** (Pages 11 - 58)
- Report by the Director of Law and Assurance.
- The Committee is asked to agree the Statement and Action Plan and recommend their adoption through the signatures of the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive.

10.55 am 5. **External Audit**

The Committee is asked to consider the 2021/22 Audit Results Report and, if needed to address changes of a minor nature arising after the meeting of the Committee, to delegate authority to the committee Chairman to approve and sign-off the final text.

The Committee is also asked to review and comment on the 2021/22 Draft Auditor's Annual Report from the External Auditor Ernst & Young (EY).

(a) **2021/22 Audit Results Report** (Pages 59 - 118)

(b) **2021/22 Draft Auditor's Annual Report** (Pages 119 - 148)

11.55 am 6. **Financial Statements 2021/22** (Pages 149 - 298)

Report by the Director of Finance and Support Services.

The Committee is asked to consider and approve the Financial Statements for 2021/22 for the County Council.

7. **Letters of Representation** (Pages 299 - 314)

The Committee is asked to consider and agree the Letters of Representation by the West Sussex Pension Fund and West Sussex County Council for sign-off by the committee Chairman, who will be authorised to approve changes of a minor nature arising after the meeting of the Committee.

Lunch

The Committee will take a 20 minute break for lunch.

12.45 pm 8. **Quarterly Review of Corporate Risk Management** (Pages 315 - 328)

Report by the Director of Finance and Support Services.

The Committee is asked to review the information detailed in the report and provide comment as necessary.

1.00 pm 9. **Internal Audit Progress Report (December 2022)** (Pages 329 - 348)

Report by the Director of Finance and Support Services, and the Head of Southern Internal Audit Partnership.

The Committee is asked to note the Internal Audit Progress report.

10. **Internal Audit Plan 2022-23 (Quarter 4)** (Pages 349 - 362)

Report by the Director of Finance and Support Services, and the Head of Southern Internal Audit Partnership.

The Committee is asked to approve the Internal Audit Plan 2022-23 (Quarter 4).

1.30 pm 11. **Treasury Management Compliance Report - Third Quarter 2022/23** (Pages 363 - 370)

Report by the Director of Finance and Support Services.

The Committee is asked to review and comment on the report.

1.45 pm 12. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 10.30am on 20 March 2023 at County Hall, Chichester.

To all members of the Regulation, Audit and Accounts Committee