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### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

DATE: Thursday, 25 February 2021

TIME: 10.30 am

**VENUE:** Meeting to be held pursuant to Statutory

Instrument 2020/392. Link to live stream will

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#### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Councillor Coley (Chairman)
Councillor Alexander (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Fairley
Councillor King

Councillor Miles Councillor Placey Councillor Steady

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#### **AGENDA**

#### 1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

The Committee is asked to note any apologies for absence and substitutions received from Members.

#### 2 <u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u> (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on Monday 30 November 2020.

#### 3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Personal Interest, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

#### 4 Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38

Subject to providing two working days' notice, a Member of the Committee may ask the Chairman of the Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Tendring District **and** which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

## 5 Report of the Internal Audit Manager - A.1 - Report on Internal Audit: October 2020 - January 2021 (Pages 7 - 24)

To provide the Committee with a periodic report on the Internal Audit function for the period October 2020 – January 2021 as required by the professional standards.

# Report of the Assistant Director (Governance) - A.2 - NEGC Ltd Joint Scrutiny Panel: Scrutiny of NEGC Ltd and the Governance of future Council controlled companies. (Pages 25 - 60)

To enable the Committee to consider its formal response to a recommendation made by the Resources and Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee following that Committee's consideration of the report submitted by the NEGC Ltd Joint Scrutiny Panel on completion of the Panel's scrutiny of NEGC Ltd and the governance of future Council controlled companies.

#### 7 Report of Assistant Director (Finance & IT) - A.3 - External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Pages 61 - 72)

To present to the Committee the External Auditor's Annual Audit Letter for the year ended 31 March 2020.

## 8 Report of Assistant Director (Finance & IT) - A.4 - Audit Committee: Table of Outstanding Issues (Pages 73 - 88)

To present to the Committee the progress on outstanding actions identified by the Committee along with general updates on other issues that fall within the responsibilities of the Committee.

#### **Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting**

The next scheduled meeting of the Audit Committee is to be held at 10.30 am on Thursday, 25 March 2021.