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# AUDIT COMMITTEE

DATE:	Monday, 25 April 2022
TIME:	10.30 am
VENUE:	Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE

#### 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 - 10)

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on Thursday 31 March 2022.

#### 3 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

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 <u>Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38</u>

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 <u>Report of the Internal Audit Manager - A.1 - Report on Internal Audit: January to</u> <u>March 2022</u> (Pages 11 - 30)

To provide the Committee with a periodic report on the Internal Audit function for the period January 2022 to March 2022.

#### 6 <u>Report of Assistant Director (Finance & IT) - A.2 - Anti-Fraud and Corruption</u> <u>Strategy</u> (Pages 31 - 48)

To present to the Audit Committee an updated Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy.

#### 7 <u>Report of the Assistant Director (Finance & IT) - A.3 - Audit Committee: Table of</u> <u>Outstanding Issues</u> (Pages 49 - 58)

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.

#### 8 Exclusion of Press and Public

The Committee is asked to consider passing the following resolution:

"That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, of the Act."

# 9 Exempt Minute of the Meeting held on Thursday 31 March 2022 (Pages 59 - 60)

To confirm and sign as a correct record the exempt minute of the meeting of the Committee held on Thursday 31 March 2022.

# Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee is provisionally scheduled to be held in the Committee Room, in the Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea at 10.30 a.m.on Thursday 30 June 2022.

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