# AGENDA

Meeting:Audit and Governance CommitteePlace:Council Chamber - County Hall, Bythesea Road, Trowbridge, BA14<br/>8JNDate:Monday 11 October 2021Time:3.00 pm

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#### Substitutes:

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# AGENDA

# Part I

# Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

#### 1 Apologies

To receive any apologies or substitutions for the meeting.

# 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 7 - 46)

To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2021.

# 3 **Declarations of Interests**

To receive any declarations of disclosable interests or dispensations granted by the Standards Committee.

#### 4 Chairman's Announcements

To receive any announcements through the Chairman.

#### 5 **Public Participation**

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Details of any questions received will be circulated to Committee members prior to the meeting and made available at the meeting and on the Council's website.

#### 6 SWAP Presentation

Overview, services & changes to Internal Audit.

# 7 Internal Audit reports (Pages 47 - 108)

To consider the:

- Internal Audit Annual Opinion Report 2020/21
- Proposed Q3 Internal Audit Plan and Revised Internal Audit Charter (also includes Q2 IA Plan for information)
- Internal Audit Activity September 2021, including consolidated IA outstanding management actions report

# 8 Update on the Statement of Accounts 2019/20 (Pages 109 - 114)

To receive a report on the progress of the statement of accounts 2019/20.

# 9 Evolve Programme Update

To receive a presentation on the Evolve Programme.

#### 10 Annual Governance Statement 2020/21 (Pages 115 - 132)

To consider the Annual Governance Statement 2020/21.

# 11 **Governance of Stone Circle Companies** (*Pages 133 - 212*)

To receive a report on the governance of Stone Circle companies.

The attached report will be considered by Cabinet on 27 September 2021.

# 12 Forward Work Programme (Pages 213 - 216)

To note the Forward Work Programme

#### 13 Date of Next Meeting

To note that the next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on 24 November 2021.

#### 14 Urgent Items

Urgent item to appoint a Member of the Audit and Governance Committee to the Constitution Focus Group.

The Constitution Focus Group is a working group of the Council which reports to the Standards Committee (which has responsibility for oversight of the Council's Constitution, and makes recommendations to Full Council). The Focus Group periodically reviews the Constitution and makes recommendations to the Standards Committee. Membership of the Constitution Focus Group includes a representative of the Audit and Governance Committee.

Any other items of business, which the Chairman agrees to consider as a matter of urgency.

#### Part II

Item(s) during consideration of which it is recommended that the public should be excluded because of the likelihood that exempt information would be disclosed.

None.