AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA for the virtual meeting on Thursday 21st January 2021 at 11.00 a.m.

1. Apologies for Absence

To record any apologies for absence.

2. <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

To record any declarations of interest by any member in respect of items on this agenda.

Members declaring interests must identify the Agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.

- (A) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest; or
- (B) Personal Interest; or
- (C) Prejudicial Interest

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To receive the Minutes of the meeting of Audit and Governance Committee held on 12th November 2020 (copy attached).

4. Tracking of Recommendations

To receive a report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources on the tracking of recommendations of the Audit and Governance Committee (copy attached).

5. Focused Review Area – Leisure Partnership

To consider an update on progress with the Council's leisure partnership.

6. Focused Review Area - Shared Services

To consider an update on progress with the Council's shared services arrangements.

7. <u>Treasury Management</u>

- (i) A report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources presenting the restated Treasury Policy Statement and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement (copy attached).
- (ii) A report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources presenting reviewed Treasury Management Practices (copy attached).

8. Accounting Policies

To receive a report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources outlining the accounting policies that are proposed to be used in completing the 2020/2021 Statement of Accounts (copy attached).

9. <u>Local Code of Corporate Governance and Annual Governance</u> <u>Statement Update</u>

To receive a report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources providing an update and progress in respect of issues raised in the 2019/20 Annual Governance Statement (copy attached).

10. Interim Internal Audit Report 2020/21

To receive a report from the Head of Audit and Assurance summarising the results of Internal Audit work in relation to the 2020/21 (copy attached).

11. Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy

To consider a report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources on the Council's updated Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy (copy attached).

12. Grant requirements and the process of determining the use of a grant

To receive a verbal update on grant requirements and/or the process of determining the use of a grant.

13. <u>External Auditors – Annual Audit Letter</u>

To receive the Annual Audit Letter from our external Auditor's – Mazars (copy attached).

14. <u>Urgent Busine</u>ss

To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.

15. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider requesting the press and public to leave on the grounds that discussion of the following business is likely to disclose exempt information within the relevant paragraphs of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act, 1972 (as amended).

16. Strategic Risk Register Update

To receive a report from the Executive Director for Environment, Economy and Resources providing a summary of the developments relating to risk management and the strategic risk register (copy attached).

17. <u>Issues for Discussion with the Internal and External Auditors</u>

To provide an opportunity, at the close of this meeting, to discuss any confidential matters of concern with the External Auditor and the Head of Internal Audit.

ROB WALSH
CHIEF EXECUTIVE