

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

23 January 2024 Our Ref Finance, Audit and Risk Committee 31

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To: Members of the Committee Councillors: Sean Nolan (Chair), Terry Tyler (Vice-Chair), Terry Hone, Chris Lucas, Tom Plater, Mandi Tandi and Tamsin Thomas

Substitute Councillors: Matt Barnes, Clare Billing, Sam Collins, Adam Compton, Juan Cowell and Daniel Marsh

Independent Member: John Cannon (Non-voting advisory role).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF A

MEETING OF THE FINANCE, AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

to be held in the

COUNCIL CHAMBER, DISTRICT COUNCIL OFFICES, GERNON ROAD, LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY, SG6 3JF

On

WEDNESDAY, 31ST JANUARY, 2024 AT 7.30 PM

Yours sincerely,

Jeanette Thompson Service Director – Legal and Community

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Agenda <u>Part I</u>

Item Page

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Members are required to notify any substitutions by midday on the day of the meeting.

Late substitutions will not be accepted and Members attending as a substitute without having given the due notice will not be able to take part in the meeting.

2. MINUTES - 13 DECEMBER 2023

(Pages 5 - 14)

To take as read and approve as a true record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 13 December 2023.

3. NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

Members should notify the Chair of other business which they wish to be discussed at the end of either Part I or Part II business set out in the agenda. They must state the circumstances which they consider justify the business being considered as a matter of urgency.

The Chair will decide whether any item(s) raised will be considered.

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda, should be declared as either a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest or Declarable Interest and are required to notify the Chair of the nature of any interest declared at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest must withdraw from the meeting for the duration of the item. Members declaring a Declarable Interest, wishing to exercise a 'Councillor Speaking Right', must declare this at the same time as the interest, move to the public area before speaking to the item and then must leave the room before the debate and vote.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To receive petitions, comments and questions from the public.

6. SIAS PROGRESS REPORT 2023-24

(Pages

REPORT OF THE SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE

15 - 28)

To received the SIAS Progress Report for the Internal Audit Plan 2023-24 as of 12 January 2024.

7. INVESTMENT STRATEGY (INTEGRATED CAPITAL AND TREASURY)

(Pages

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR – RESOURCES

29 - 82)

To consider the Investment Strategy and recommend to Council the adoption of the Investment Strategy.

8. REVENUE BUDGET 2024/25

(Pages

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR – RESOURCES

83 - 114)

To consider the Revenue Budget for 2024/25.

9. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Chair to lead a discussion regarding possible agenda items for future meetings.