

# Audit and Governance Committee 24 November 2021



Working in partnership with **Eastbourne Homes**

**Time and venue:**

**6.00 pm in the Court Room at Eastbourne Town Hall, Grove Road, BN21 4UG**

**Membership:**

**Councillor Robin Maxted (Chair); Councillors Amanda Morris (Deputy-Chair)  
Helen Burton, Sammy Choudhury, Peter Diplock, Tony Freebody, Md. Harun Miah  
and Kshama Shore**

**Quorum: 2**

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## Agenda

**1 Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)**

To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee.

**2 Apologies for absence/declaration of substitute members**

**3 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) by members as required under Section 31 of the Localism Act and of other interests as required by the Code of Conduct.**

**4 Questions by members of the public.**

On matters not already included on the agenda and for which prior written notice has been given (total time allowed 15 minutes).

**5 Urgent items of business.**

The Chairman to notify the Committee of any items of urgent business to be added to the agenda.

**6 Right to address the meeting/order of business.**

The Chairman to report any requests received to address the Committee from a member of the public or from a Councillor in respect of an item listed below and to invite the Committee to consider taking such items at the commencement of the meeting.

**7 Annual report on Covert Surveillance Management (Pages 11 - 18)**

Report of the Head of Legal Services.

**8 Audit and Counter Fraud Work Quarterly Report (Pages 19 - 28)**

Report of the Chief Internal Auditor.

**9 Treasury Management Quarter 2 Report (Pages 29 - 46)**

Report of the Chief Finance Officer.

**10 Arrangements for Appointing External Auditors (Pages 47 - 64)**

Report of the Chief Finance Officer.

**11 Date of the next meeting**

To note that the next meeting of the Audit and Governance Committee is scheduled to be held on Wednesday 2 March 2022 in the Court Room, Town Hall, Eastbourne, commencing at 6.00pm.

## **Information for the public**

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## **Information for Councillors**

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In the case of a disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI), if the interest is not registered (nor the subject of a pending notification) details of the nature of the interest must be reported to the meeting by the member and subsequently notified in writing to the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.

If a member has a DPI or other prejudicial interest he/she must leave the room when the matter is being considered (unless he/she has obtained a dispensation).

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Councillors wishing to address the meeting who are not members of the committee must notify the Chairman and Democratic Services in advance (and no later than immediately prior to the start of the meeting).

**Democratic Services**

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