



## NOTICE OF MEETING

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# Audit Committee

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TUESDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER, 2010 at 19:30 HRS - CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE.

MEMBERS: Councillors Khan (Chair), Amin (Vice-Chair), Diakides, Meehan, Bloch, Butcher and Gorrie

### AGENDA

#### 1. APOLOGIES

To note any apologies for absence.

#### 2. URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of urgent business. (Late items will be considered under the agenda item where they appear. New items will be dealt with at item 15 below).

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

A member with a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the matter becomes apparent.

A member with a personal interest in a matter also has a prejudicial interest in that matter if the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice the member's judgement of the public interest **and** if this interest affects their financial position or the financial position of a person or body as described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct **and/or** if it relates to the determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to them or any person or body described in paragraph 8 of the Code of Conduct.

**4. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 8)**

To confirm and sign the minutes of the Audit Committee held on the 14 September 2010.

**5. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

**6. AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 9 - 10)**

Report of Grant Thornton.

**7. VALUE FOR MONEY REPORT (PAGES 11 - 32)**

Report of Grant Thornton.

**8. HOUSING ALLOCATIONS, LETTINGS AND HOMELESSNESS SERVICES RE-INSPECTION - FINAL REPORT (PAGES 33 - 42)**

Report of the Director of Urban Environment to inform the Audit Committee of the outcome of the Audit Commission's re-inspection of the Council's Housing Allocations, Lettings and Homelessness services and to summarise the content of the report.

**9. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS - OUTCOME OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR 2009/10 AND REVIEW OF THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (PAGES 43 - 50)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to update the Committee on the final outcome of the annual audit for 2009/10 and to agree an action plan flowing from the audit of the accounts and auditor's final report.

**10. TREASURY MANAGEMENT PRACTICES DOCUMENT (PAGES 51 - 64)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to present the Treasury Management Practices document for scrutiny as required by the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice.

**11. HOUSING BENEFITS - 2ND QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT ON COUNTER FRAUD ACTIVITY (PAGES 65 - 70)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to advise and update Members on the Counter Fraud performance of the Benefits and Local Taxation Service from the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010 – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

**12. INTERNAL AUDIT - 2ND QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 71 - 110)**

Report of the Head of Audit and Risk Management to inform the Audit Committee of the work undertaken during the second quarter by the Internal Audit Service in completing the 2010/11 annual audit plan and reports issued for outstanding 2009/10 audits together with the responsive fraud investigation work. In addition, to provide details of the work the Council's personnel division has undertaken in supporting disciplinary action taken across all departments by respective council managers.

**13. RISK MANAGEMENT - UPDATE (PAGES 111 - 116)**

Report of the Head of Audit and Risk Management to inform the Audit Committee of the current position on compliance with the corporate risk management policy for the management of risk registers across the Council.

**14. NATIONAL FRAUD INITIATIVE 2010/11 - CORPORATE ARRANGEMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS (PAGES 117 - 124)**

Report of the head of Audit and Risk Management to inform the Audit Committee of the statutory 2010/11 National Fraud Initiative data matching exercise and the Council's compliance with the requirements of the exercise.

**15. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any new items of urgent business admitted at item 2 above.

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, 3 February 2010, 7.30pm.

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