



**Haringey** Council

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## Corporate Committee

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THURSDAY, 27TH JUNE, 2013 at 19:00 HRS - CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE.

**MEMBERS:** Councillors Adje, Amin (Vice-Chair), Diakides, Griffith, Jenks, Khan, Meehan (Chair), Whyte, Williams and Wilson

### AGENDA

**1. APOLOGIES (IF ANY)**

**2. URGENT BUSINESS**

The Chair will consider the admission of any late items of urgent business. (late items will be considered under the agenda items where they appear. New items of unrestricted urgent business will be dealt with at item 20, new items of exempt urgent business will be dealt with at item 24).

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a prejudicial interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered:

- (i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, and
- (ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must withdraw from the meeting room.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Register of Members' Interests or the subject of a pending notification must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal interests and prejudicial interests are defined at Paragraphs 5-7 and Appendix A of the Members' Code of Conduct.

**4. DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS / PRESENTATIONS / QUESTIONS**

To consider any requests received in accordance with Part 4, section B, Paragraph 29 of the Council's Constitution.

**5. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 10)**

To consider and agree the minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2013.

Note from the Head of Local Democracy and Member Services

When considering items 6, 7 & 8, the Committee will be operating in its capacity as "Administering Authority". When the Committee is operating in its capacity as an Administering Authority, Members must have due regard to their duty as quasi-trustees to act in the best interest of the Pension Fund above all other considerations.

**6. PENSION FUND QUARTERLY UPDATE (PAGES 11 - 26)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to report the following in respect of the three months to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013: Investment asset allocation, Investment performance, Responsible investment activity, Budget management, Late payment of contributions and Communications.

**7. PENSION FUND: ASSET ALLOCATION ADVICE (PAGES 27 - 38)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to consider the Pension Fund's current asset allocation and recommend movements towards the agreed strategic benchmark.

**8. PENSION FUND EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2012/13 (PAGES 39 - 54)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to present the audit plan prepared by the external auditors, Grant Thornton for the audit of the Pension Fund accounts 2012/13 for the Committee's consideration.

**9. TREASURY MANAGEMENT 2012/13 OUTTURN AND QUARTER 1 2013/14 UPDATE (PAGES 55 - 66)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to report to Members on treasury management activity and performance during 2012/13 in accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice. It is a requirement of the Code for this to be reported on to Council once Corporate Committee has considered it. In addition it provides an update for Members on treasury management activity during the first quarter of 2013/14.

**10. ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT AND ASSURANCE STATEMENT 2012/13 (PAGES 67 - 80)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to inform Members of the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the system of internal control and risk management operating throughout 2012/13 and present a summary of the audit work undertaken to formulate the opinion, including reliance placed on work by other bodies.

**11. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2012/13 (PAGES 81 - 98)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources to inform the Corporate Committee of the requirements of the statutory Annual Governance Statement (AGS) and provide a draft statement relating to the 2012/13 financial year for review and approval.

**12. 2012/13 QUARTER 4 AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 99 - 148)**

Report of the Director of Corporate Resources and Assistant Chief Executive. The Corporate Committee is responsible for monitoring the completion of the annual internal audit plan and the implementation of agreed recommendations as part of its Terms of Reference. In order to facilitate this, progress reports are provided on a quarterly basis for review and consideration by the Corporate Committee on the work undertaken by the Internal Audit Service in completing the 2012/13 annual audit plan, together with the responsive pro-active fraud investigation work, and housing benefit fraud investigation work. Where further action is required or recommended, this is highlighted in the report and appendices and included in the recommendations for the Corporate Committee.

The report also provides information from the Council's Human Resources (HR) business unit in respect of (a) work undertaken in supporting disciplinary action taken across all departments by respective Council managers; and (b) consultants employed by the Council.

**13. REVISIONS TO THE CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (PAGES 149 - 162)**

Report of the Head of Legal Services to inform members of the review of the local Code of Corporate Governance and the proposed revisions to the Code which are to be recommended to the Cabinet on 9 July for approval and on to full Council on 15 July for adoption.

**14. EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT (PAGES 163 - 174)**

Report of Grant Thornton.

**15. INDIVIDUAL ELECTORAL REGISTRATION (PAGES 175 - 180)**

Report of the Chief Executive to bring to the attention of the Committee the broad changes being planned for Electoral registration in the transition to Individual Electoral Registration under the terms of the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013, and to particularly note arrangements being made under secondary legislation to postpone the annual autumn registration campaign and the consequences of this.

**16. UPDATE FROM CHILDREN'S SERVICE ON PROGRESS TO ADDRESS RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCIAL RESILIENCE REPORT (PAGES 181 - 188)**

Report of the Director of Children and Young People's Service to report on progress in addressing the recommendations of the external audit report 'Review of the Council's Arrangements for Securing Financial Resilience', as considered by the Committee in June 2012 and the subsequent report on how the recommendations were being taken forward within CYPS, considered by the Committee in September 2012.

**17. TEMPORARY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR ARRANGEMENTS (PAGES 189 - 198)**

Report of the Chief Executive to set out the revised arrangements at the Assistant Director and Head of Service level for the remainder of the financial year, for the Committee to note.

**18. REORGANISATION OF PLACE AND SUSTAINABILITY DIRECTORATE (PAGES 199 - 210)**

Report of the Director of Place and Sustainability on the proposed restructure of the Place and Sustainability Directorate, including proposals for the creation and disestablishment of posts at Deputy Chief Officer level. This paper seeks Corporate Committee approval for these proposals.

**19. DELEGATED DECISIONS, SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS, URGENT ACTIONS (PAGES 211 - 220)**

To inform the Corporate Committee of non executive delegated decisions, significant actions taken by Directors and any urgency decisions taken by the Chair.

**20. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items admitted under agenda item 2.

**21. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

The following items are likely to be subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contain exempt information as defined in Section 100a of the Local Government Act 1972: paragraphs 1, 2 & 3, information relating to any individual, information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual and information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

**22. EXEMPT MINUTES (PAGES 221 - 224)**

To consider and agree the exempt minutes of the meeting held on 14 March 2013.

**23. REORGANISATION OF PLACE AND SUSTAINABILITY DIRECTORATE (PAGES 225 - 226)**

To consider exempt information pertaining to agenda item 18 above.

**24. NEW ITEMS OF EXEMPT URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items admitted at item 2 above.

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