



Corporate Committee

MONDAY, 22ND JUNE, 2015 at 7.00 pm HRS - CIVIC CENTRE, HIGH ROAD, WOOD GREEN, N22 8LE.

MEMBERS: Councillors B Blake (Chair), Griffith (Vice-Chair), Adamou, Ejiofor, Elliott, Engert, Ibrahim, Opoku, Ozbek, Bull, Diakides and Adje

Quorum: 3 Councillors

AGENDA

1. FILMING AT MEETINGS

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2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS (IF ANY)

3. 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 will be dealt with at item 18)

4. 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.

5. DEPUTATIONS / PETITIONS / PRESENTATIONS / QUESTIONS

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

6. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 4)

To consider and agree the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2015.

7. INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER (PAGES 5 - 14)

Report of the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance to present the updated Internal Audit Charter to the Committee for review and approval.

8. AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT QUARTER 4 (PAGES 15 - 42)

Report of the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance to inform the Committee of the audit coverage and anti-fraud work completed and the actions taken during the quarter to ensure audit recommendations are implemented and address the outstanding recommendations during the fourth quarter 2014/15.

9. ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT (PAGES 43 - 56)

Report of the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance to inform Members of the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the system of internal control and risk management operating throughout 2014/15 and present a summary of the audit work undertaken to formulate the opinion, including reliance placed on work by other bodies.

10. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (PAGES 57 - 74)

Report of the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance to inform the Committee of the requirements of the statutory Annual Governance Statement and provide a draft statement for the 2014/15 financial year for review and approval.

11. EXTERNAL AUDIT - PROGRESS UPDATE (PAGES 75 - 90)

Report of Grant Thornton.

12. THE AUDIT PLAN (PAGES 91 - 108)

Report of Grant Thornton.

13. AUDIT LETTER TO MANAGEMENT AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE - ASSURANCE STATEMENT TO COMPLY WITH INTERNATIONAL AUDITING STANDARDS (PAGES 109 - 122)

Report of the Assistant Director – Finance to advise the Committee of the responses to the Council’s external auditors in respect of the management processes in place to prevent and detect fraud and to ensure compliance with law and regulation.

14. HARINGEY PLACE ANALYTICS (PAGES 123 - 126)

Report of Grant Thornton.

15. HIGH PRIORITY RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE QUALIFICATION OF HOUSING BENEFIT CLAIM (PAGES 127 - 130)

Report of the Assistant Director for Customer Services to address the points raised by the auditors regarding the qualification of the housing benefit claim, and to outline the actions undertaken by the service since the audit report.

16. TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN 2014/15 AND QUARTER 1 2015/16 UPDATE (PAGES 131 - 148)

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance on treasury management activity and performance during 2014/15 in accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice.

17. DELEGATED DECISIONS, SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS, URGENT ACTIONS (PAGES 149 - 168)

Report of the Assistant Director of Corporate Governance and Monitoring Officer to inform the Committee of non-executive delegated decisions, significant actions and any urgent decisions taken by the Chair.

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

To consider any items admitted at item 2 above.

19. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

24 September 2015, 7pm.

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