General Purposes & Audit Committee Agenda



To: Councillor Karen Jewitt (Chair)

Councillor Stephen Mann (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Nina Degrads, Paul Scott, Chris Clark, Joy Prince, Stuart Millson, Tim Pollard, Jan Buttinger and Steve Hollands

Co-Optee Member: James Smith

Reserve Members: Pat Clouder, Bernadette Khan, Sean Fitzsimons, Clive Fraser, Andrew Pelling, Jason Cummings, Badsha Quadir, Ian Parker

and Simon Hoar

A meeting of the **General Purposes & Audit Committee** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Thursday**, **10 June 2021** at **6.30 pm** in **Council Chamber**, **Town Hall**, **Katharine Street**, **Croydon**, **CR0 1NX**.

JACQUELINE HARRIS-BAKER Council Solicitor and Monitoring Officer London Borough of Croydon Bernard Weatherill House 8 Mint Walk, Croydon CR0 1EA Michelle Ossei-Gerning 020 8726 6000 x84246 michelle.gerning@croydon.gov.uk www.croydon.gov.uk/meetings Wednesday, 2 June 2021

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AGENDA - PART A

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from any members of the Committee.

2. Disclosure of Interests

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and the statutory provisions of the Localism Act, Members and co-opted Members of the Council are reminded that it is a requirement to register disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and gifts and hospitality to the value of which exceeds £50 or multiple gifts and/or instances of hospitality with a cumulative value of £50 or more when received from a single donor within a rolling twelve month period. In addition, Members and co-opted Members are reminded that unless their disclosable pecuniary interest is registered on the register of interests or is the subject of a pending notification to the Monitoring Officer, they are required to disclose those disclosable pecuniary interests at the meeting. This should be done by completing the Disclosure of Interest form and handing it to the Democratic Services representative at the start of the meeting. The Chair will then invite Members to make their disclosure orally at the commencement of Agenda item 3. Completed disclosure forms will be provided to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion on the Register of Members' Interests.

3. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

4. Oracle Audit Presentation (Pages 5 - 18)

Oracle Audit Presentation.

5. Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference of the General Purposes and Audit Committee.

[To Follow]

6. Update on Independent Chair for General Purposes and Audit Committee

Information to be shared with the Committee.

7. Report in the Public Interest Action Plan - Progress Update (Pages 19 - 104)

The Quarter 1 Progress Update Report in the Public Interest, is attached.

8. Update on Council Whistleblowing

[To Follow]

9. Anti-Fraud Update Report (Pages 105 - 110)

This report details the performance of the Council's Corporate Anti-Fraud Team (CAFT) and includes details of the team's performance together with an update on developments during the period 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021.

10. Corporate Risk Register

The report updates the General Purposes & Audit Committee Members on the corporate risk register (the register) as at 1 June 2021.

[To Follow]

11. **Work Programme** (Pages 111 - 116)

To consider and approve the Committee work programme for the municipal year 2021/22.

12. Exclusion of Public and Press

The following motion is to be moved and seconded where it is proposed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of a meeting:

"That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended."

PART B