


BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL


AUDIT COMMITTEE


29 MARCH 2022 correct following 25 January 2022 meeting

SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING MINUTES

Note: As of 30 September 2021 – Responses to outstanding actions to be made within a 2 month period unless there is an exceptional reason.

 Completed & discharged

 Approaching 2 months

 2 months +

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| 350 26/07/2021 | <p><u>ASSURANCE SESSION – CABINET MEMBER EDUCATION, SKILLS & CULTURE PORTFOLIO</u></p> <p><u>Additional Recommendations:</u></p> <p>That the Audit Committee;</p> <p>(ii) Agreed for a written response outlining the number of children missing in education, children missing and the work around the safeguarding to be provided.</p> <p>(iii) Noted the Assistant Director – Legal Services & Deputy Monitoring Officer to review the contract for the interim Director for Education and Skills and provide this to Councillor Jenkins if appropriate.</p> <p>The Office of the Monitoring Officer has had the opportunity to consider Cllr Jenkins request for copy of the contract as between the former DCS (Kevin Crompton) and the Council. There is no direct contract of engagement as between the</p> | <p>Kevin Crompton – Interim Director for Education & Skills to lead on responses.</p> <p>Note 17/03/22 Information sent to Members of the Audit Committee in February 2022</p> <p>Completed and discharged</p> <p>Note: Comments from the Office of the Monitoring Officer under action (iii)</p> |

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| | <p>Council and the former DCS. There exist two contracts. The first as between the former DCS and his supplier agency. The second as between the supplier agency and the Council.</p> <p>The Office of the Monitoring Officer has reviewed the first contract. Details of the former DCS' remuneration are already in the public domain as all interim JNC Officers remuneration was provided to Full Council earlier this year.</p> <p>It is not considered appropriate to release to individual Audit Committee members copies of agency supplier contracts. The content would not assist Audit Committee members in furtherance of the terms of reference of Audit Committee. In addition, the content would likely be deemed commercially sensitive information by a supplier agency.</p> <p>(iv) Agreed for a written response to be provided to Councillor Morrall around;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ additional funding West Midlands Combined Authority 2021-22; ➤ costs associated with Acivico - replacing boilers in schools and maintaining buildings; ➤ who were the competitors as there was reduction in BAES fees and non-public programmes decreased income streams; ➤ IT Infrastructure – what was happening with Adult learning, laptops being provided; ➤ increasing home-schooling – figures pre-Covid and through Covid period; ➤ school exclusions – the demographics (i.e. gender, race etc) and what was happening to re-engage children as there was a lot of gang culture and CSE's when children drop out of schools. | <p>Note: 18/10/2021- Responses sent to Members however, outstanding action on the up to date figures on elective home education, children missing education and children missing from home /care. This should be provided end of Oct/ Nov.</p> |
| <p>377 19/10/2021</p> | <p><u>ASSURANCE SESSION – THE DEPUTY LEADER'S PORTFOLIO</u></p> <p><u>Additional Recommendations:</u></p> <p>That the Audit Committee;</p> <p>(ii) Agreed for a briefing to be offered to all Members of the Council on Cyber Security, GDPR and roles related to data processing.</p> <p>(iii) Agreed for a briefing note to be provided to Audit Committee on the shared learnings of the</p> | <p>Peter Bishop – Director, Digital & Customer Services to lead on responses.</p> |

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| | Complaints area from both from Audit Committee and Coordinating O&S Committee. | |
| 381 19/10/2021 | <p><u>REPORT INTO ISSUES RELATED TO THE TRAVEL ASSIST SERVICE</u></p> <p><u>Additional Recommendations:</u></p> <p>That the Audit Committee;</p> <p>(ii) Noted a written response would be provided on safeguarding measures Voluntary organisations and Early Year providers were expected to have in place and the support provided by BCC.</p> <p>(iii) Noted a continual reflection and updates to be made on the actions to the responses of the recommendations in the Weightman's report.</p> <p>(iv) Agreed once the root and branch review on Procurement, Commissioning, assurances, systemic challenges were completed, a report to be provided to the Audit Committee on its findings.</p> | <p>Kevin Crompton – Interim Director for Education & Skills to lead on responses</p> <p>Note: 17/11/2021- Response sent to Members.</p> <p>Completed and discharged</p> <p>Sue Harrison - New Interim Director for Education & Skills to lead on response</p> <p>Steve Sandercock Assistant Director – Procurement (Interim)</p> <p>Note: 17/11/2021- Presentation circulated to Members outlining the approach to this work. A report on the findings will be shared with the Committee in March 2022.</p> <p>Completed and discharged</p> |
| 412 25/01/2022 | <p><u>EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S FINDINGS REPORT 2020/21</u></p> <p><u>Additional Recommendation</u></p> <p>(ii) That the Managing Director Housing report on the valuation of Tower blocks in the City Housing stock.</p> | |

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| 413 25/01/2022 | <p><u>OMBUDSMAN REPORT CONCERNING A COMPLAINT ABOUT THE REFUSE AND RECYLING SERVICE</u></p> <p><u>Additional Recommendation</u></p> <p>(ii) That the Chief Executive review how departments work in a joined-up way and how complaints from residents and Councillors on poor service are dealt with.</p> | |
| 414 25/01/2022 | <p><u>RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE</u></p> <p>(iii) That the SR5.6 Safeguarding Children risk position on the strategic risk map be raised with the Cabinet Member and officers at a future meeting.</p> | |