

# **BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL**

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY, 26 JULY 2021 AT 14:00 HOURS**  
**IN BMI MAIN HALL, 9 MARGARET STREET, BIRMINGHAM, B3 3BS**

### **A G E N D A**

#### **1 NOTICE OF RECORDING/WEBCAST**

The Chair to advise/meeting to note that this meeting will be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's meeting You Tube site ([www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6\\_5dnVnYlw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6_5dnVnYlw)) and that members of the press/public may record and take photographs except where there are confidential or exempt items.

#### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

Members are reminded that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

#### **3 APOLOGIES**

To receive any apologies.

#### **4 EXEMPT INFORMATION – POSSIBLE EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

a) To consider whether any matter on the agenda contains exempt information within the meaning of Section 100I of the Local Government Act 1972, and where it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.

b) If so, to formally pass the following resolution:-

**RESOLVED** – That, in accordance with Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to information) (Variation order) 2006, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of those parts of the agenda designated as exempt on

the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.

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5 **MINUTES - AUDIT COMMITTEE 29 JUNE 2021**

To confirm and sign the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held 29 June 2021.

6 **APPOINTMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT ADVISOR TO AUDIT COMMITTEE**

(5 minutes allocated) (1405 – 1410)

Verbal update

7 **ASSURANCE SESSION – CABINET MEMBER EDUCATION, SKILLS & CULTURE PORTFOLIO**

(55 minutes allocated) (1410 – 1505)

Verbal discussion

The Cabinet Member Education, Skills and Culture with the Interim Director of Education & Skills.

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8 **OMBUDSMAN REPORT CONCERNING A COMPLAINT ABOUT HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT**

(20 minutes allocated) (1505 – 1525)

Report of the Interim Director of Education & Skills.

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9 **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

(20 minutes allocated) (1525 – 1545)

Report of the Assistant Director, Audit & Risk Management

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10 **EXTERNAL AUDITORS PROGRESS REPORT**

Report of the External Auditors for noting.

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11 **CIPFA FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPABILITY REPORT (FMCR) – FIVE STAR ASSESSMENT UPDATE – FINAL ASSESSMENT JUNE 2021**

(15 minutes allocated) (1545 – 1600)

Information update

12 **SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING MINUTES**

Information for noting

13 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 30 September 2021 at 1400 hours in the Birmingham & Midlands Institute, Main Hall.

(Note: this will be replacing the 28th September Committee date).

14 **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any items of business by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) that in the opinion of the Chair are matters of urgency.

15 **AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS**

Chair to move:-

'In an urgent situation between meetings, the Chair jointly with the relevant Chief Officer has authority to act on behalf of the Committee'.