

## **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

#### **MEETING OF THE AUDIT BOARD**

# THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2014 AT 6.00 P.M.

#### COMMITTEE ROOM, THE COUNCIL HOUSE, BURCOT LANE, BROMSGROVE

MEMBERS: Councillors H. J. Jones (Chairman), M. T. Buxton (Vice-Chairman),

S. J. Baxter, B. T. Cooper, S. J. Dudley, P. A. Harrison and

P. M. McDonald

## **AGENDA**

- 1. To receive apologies for absence
- 2. Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

- 3. To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Audit Board held on 19th June and 18th September 2014 (Pages 1 14)
- 4. Grant Thornton Progress Update (to November 2014) (Pages 15 30)
- 5. Grant Thornton Annual Audit Letter (Pages 31 44)
- 6. Benefit Fraud Quarter 2 (Pages 45 54)
- 7. 2014/2015 Apr Sept Financial Savings Monitoring (Pages 55 58)
- 8. Risk Management Monitoring Group Verbal Update
- 9. Internal Audit Monitoring Report (Pages 59 80)
- 10. 2015/2016 Provisional Internal Audit Plan (Pages 81 94)

- 11. Audit Board Work Programme 2014/2015 (Pages 95 96)
- 12. To consider any other business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting

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Chief Executive

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3rd December 2014



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