



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE AUDIT, STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2024

AT 6.00 P.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE

MEMBERS: Councillors H. D. N. Rone-Clarke (Chairman), S. T. Nock (Vice-Chairman), R. Bailes, S. M. Evans, D. J. A. Forsythe, D. Hopkins, C.A. Hotham, D. J. Nicholl, S. R. Peters and J. D. Stanley

Parish Councillor TBC

Members are asked to note that the membership of the Audit, Standards and Governance Committee will change at the Council meeting due to take place on 9th October 2024 due to changes to the political balance.

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for Absence and Named Substitutes**
- 2. Declarations of Interest and Whipping Arrangements**

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 Audit, Standards and Governance Committee meeting held on 15th July 2024 (Pages 5 - 12)**

4. **Standards Regime - Monitoring Officers' Report** (Pages 13 - 18)
5. **Annual Review from the Local Government Ombudsman** (Pages 19 - 28)
6. **Grant Thornton - External Audit Progress Update** (Pages 29 - 30)
7. **Internal Audit - External Quality Assessment and Improvement Plan**
(Pages 31 - 76)
8. **Financial Compliance Report including update on Statements of Accounts** (Pages 77 - 100)

Appendix B to the report draft 2021/22 Statement of Accounts are to follow in a supplementary papers

9. **Financial Savings Monitoring Report** (Pages 101 - 108)
10. **Appointment of Risk Champion** (Pages 109 - 110)
11. **Audit, Standards and Governance Committee Work Programme** (Pages 111 - 112)

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