



## **BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **MEETING OF THE AUDIT, STANDARDS AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**MONDAY 13TH JULY 2026**

**AT 6.00 P.M.**

**PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE**

**MEMBERS:** Councillors E. M. S. Gray (Chairman), B. Kumar (Vice-Chairman), S. R. Colella, A. M. Dale, D. J. A. Forsythe, D. Hopkins, R. J. Hunter, B. McEldowney, D. J. Nicholl and J. D. Stanley

### **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 8th June 2026 (Pages 7 - 16)**
- 4. Standards Regime - Monitoring Officer's Report (Pages 17 - 22)**

5. **Localism Act 2011 - Standards Regime - General and Individual Dispensations** (Pages 23 - 32)
6. **Final Statement of Accounts 2023/24 & 2024/25** (Pages 33 - 214)
7. **Risk Champion Update** (Verbal)
8. **Risk Management Report/Corporate Risk Register Q1 2026/27** (Pages 215 - 234)
9. **Financial Outturn Report** (Pages 235 - 240)
10. **Internal Audit Annual Report and Audit Opinion 2025/26** (Pages 241 - 266)
11. **Draft Statement of Accounts 2025/26** (Pages 267 - 348)
12. **Annual Governance Statement 2025/26** (Pages 349 - 372)
13. **Annual Treasury Report 2025/26** (Pages 373 - 392)
14. **Internal Audit Strategy, Charter and Mandate** (Pages 393 - 418)
15. **Internal Audit Plan 2026/27** (Pages 419 - 426)
16. **Whistleblowing and Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Policies** (Pages 427 - 468)
17. **Audit, Standards and Governance Committee Work Programme** (Pages 469 - 470)
18. **To consider any urgent business, details of which have been notified to the Head of Legal, Democratic and Property Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting**

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