

Time Commenced: 10.03am
Time Finished: 12.42pm

AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
29 March 2017

Present: Councillor Hezelgrave (Chair)
Councillors Ashburner, Harwood, s Khan, Roulstone, Smale, Turner and West

In attendance
Helen Henshaw and Steve Clark – Ernst Young
Councillor Shanker – Cabinet Member Finance and Governance
Paul Robinson – Chief Executive
Christine Durrant – Strategic Director Communities and Place
Janie Berry – Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer
Richard Boneham – Head of Governance and Assurance
Martyn Marples – Director of Finance
Olu Idowu – Head of Legal Services
John Massey – Head of Benefits and Exchequer Services
Philip Sunderland - Observer

67/16 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

68/16 Late Items

There were no late items.

69/16 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

70/16 Update on the 2015/16 and 2016/17 Statement of Accounts

The Director of Finance gave a detailed update on the 2015/16 and 2016/17 Statement of Accounts. He set out progress to date and the steps which still needed to be taken to get to the position where the accounts could be signed off.

The Strategic Director Communities and Place updated the Committee on the particular issues relating to valuations and school building and land valuations.

Resolved to note the update on the 2015/16 and 2016/17 Statement of Accounts.

71/16 Updated Interim Annual Governance Statement to
Accompany the Statement of Accounts 2015/16

The Committee considered a report which stated that an Annual Governance Statement was required to support the Statement of Accounts 2015/16. The Committee was updated by the Director of Finance on the progress and actions taken to prepare for the 2016/17 draft Statement of Accounts. In the absence of the Statement of Accounts the updated Interim Annual Governance Statement was provided to the Committee for information purposes only.

The Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer circulated an addendum to the Interim Annual Governance Statement which gave further updates since the report had been circulated.

In relation to risk management the Committee suggested that mandatory on line training be introduced for employees of the Council.

Resolved

- 1. To note the updated Interim Annual Governance Statement.**
- 2. To ask the Governance Working Group to consider introducing mandatory training in relation to risk management if this was felt to be appropriate.**

Minutes End