

General Purposes & Audit Committee Agenda



To: Councillor Karen Jewitt (Chair)
Councillor Stephen Mann (Vice-Chair)
Councillors Jamie Audsley, Jan Buttinger, Mary Croos, Steve Hollands,
Bernadette Khan, Stuart Millson, Tim Pollard, Joy Prince, Muffaddal Kapasi
and James Smith

Co-Optee Members: Muffaddal Kapasi and James Smith

Reserve Members: Clive Fraser, Pat Clouder, Felicity Flynn, Nina Degrad, Patricia Hay-Justice, Jason Cummings, Ian Parker, Badsha Quadir and Simon Hoar

A meeting of the **General Purposes & Audit Committee** which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Thursday, 4 March 2021** at **6.30 pm**. This meeting will be held remotely. Members of the Committee will be sent a link to remotely attend the meeting in due course.

PLEASE NOTE: Members of the public are welcome to remotely attend this meeting via the following web link: <http://webcasting.croydon.gov.uk/meetings/11670>

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AGENDA – PART A

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive any apologies for absence from any members of the Committee.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To approve the minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 14 January 2021 and Wednesday 27 January 2021 as an accurate record.

[To Follow]

3. Disclosure of Interests

In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct and the statutory provisions of the Localism Act, Members and co-opted Members of the Council are reminded that it is a requirement to register disclosable pecuniary interests (DPIs) and gifts and hospitality to the value of which exceeds £50 or multiple gifts and/or instances of hospitality with a cumulative value of £50 or more when received from a single donor within a rolling twelve month period. In addition, Members and co-opted Members are reminded that unless their disclosable pecuniary interest is registered on the register of interests or is the subject of a pending notification to the Monitoring Officer, they are required to disclose those disclosable pecuniary interests at the meeting. This should be done by completing the Disclosure of Interest form and handing it to the Democratic Services representative at the start of the meeting. The Chair will then invite Members to make their disclosure orally at the commencement of Agenda item 3. Completed disclosure forms will be provided to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion on the Register of Members' Interests.

4. Urgent Business (if any)

To receive notice of any business not on the agenda which in the opinion of the Chair, by reason of special circumstances, be considered as a matter of urgency.

5. Grant Thornton

Verbal update on Grant Thornton.

6. Dedicated School Grant Management Plan (Pages 5 - 20)

The report updates the General Purposes & Audit Committee Members on the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) Management Plan.

7. Internal Audit Report (Pages 21 - 46)

This report details the work completed by Internal Audit so far during 2020/21 and the progress made in implementing recommendations from audits completed in previous years.

8. Internal Audit Charter, Strategy and Plan (Pages 47 - 64)

The report of the Internal Audit Charter, Strategy and the Plan of audit work for 2021/22 is attached.

9. Anti-Fraud Update Report (Pages 65 - 70)

This report details the performance of the Council's Corporate Anti-Fraud Team (CAFT) and includes details of the team's performance together with an update on developments during the period 1 April 2020 – 31 January 2021.

10. Corporate Risk Register (Pages 71 - 116)

The Corporate Risk Register is attached.

11. Exclusion of Public and Press

The following motion is to be moved and seconded where it is proposed to exclude the press and public from the remainder of a meeting:

“That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information falling within those paragraphs indicated in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended.”

PART B