General Purposes and Audit Committee Agenda



To: Dr Olu Olasode (Chair)

Councillor Karen Jewitt (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Chris Clark, Nina Degrads, Clive Fraser, Lynne Hale,

Ola Kolade, Stuart Millson, Ian Parker, Joy Prince and Paul Scott

Reserve Members: Margaret Bird, Pat Clouder, Sean Fitzsimons, Bernadette Khan, Andrew Pelling, Kola Agboola, Jason Cummings,

Badsha Quadir and Jeet Bains

A meeting of the **General Purposes and Audit Committee**, which you are hereby summoned to attend, will be held on **Thursday**, 21 April 2022 at 6.30 pm in the **Council Chamber**, Town Hall, Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX.

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AGENDA - PART A

1. Apologies for Absence

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

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 5 - 10)

The Committee is asked to approve as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting held on 3 March 2022.

5. Minutes Action Tracker (Pages 11 - 16)

The Committee is asked to note the progress as detailed in the attached Minutes Action tracker.

6. Assurance Mapping - Next Steps (Pages 17 - 22)

The Committee will receive an update on the Council's Assurance Map (moving forward).

7. Anti-Fraud Update Report - 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 (Pages 23 - 28)

The Committee is invited to note the Anti-Fraud activity of the Corporate Anti-Fraud Team for the year 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022 and the corresponding period 1 April 2020 – 31 March 2021.

8. General Purposes and Audit Committee - Annual Report 2021-2022 (Pages 29 - 40)

The Committee is to receive a report, which highlights the work of the Committee over the last year as provided within the Committee's 'Terms of Reference and Scope of Work'. It also includes a brief forward look into the year ahead on the Committee's work and developments.