



# WELWYN HATFIELD

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You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE to be held on Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE

## AGENDA PART 1

1. SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS

To note any substitution of Committee members made in accordance with Council Procedure Rules.

2. APOLOGIES

3. MINUTES

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 January 2023 (previously circulated).

4. NOTIFICATION OF URGENT BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER ITEM 10

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS

To note declarations of Members' disclosable pecuniary interests, non-disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda.

6. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PETITIONS

Up to thirty minutes will be available for questions from members of the public on issues relating to the work of the Committee and to receive any petitions.

7. WHBC SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE (SIAS) PROGRESS REPORT  
(Pages 3 - 22)

Report of the Shared Internal Audit Service (SIAS) which provides details on the progress made by SIAS in delivering the Council's Annual Audit Plan for 2022/23 as at 13 March 2023.

8. WHBC SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE (SIAS) - INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2023/24 (Pages 23 - 40)

Report of the Shared Internal Audit Service (SIAS) which sets out a programme of internal audit work for the year ahead (2023-2024).

9. ANTI-FRAUD PLAN 2023/24 (Pages 41 - 54)

Report of the Hertfordshire Shared Anti-Fraud Service on the Anti-Fraud Plan 2023/23 for the council.

10. SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS, IN THE OPINION OF THE CHAIR, IS OF SUFFICIENT URGENCY TO WARRANT IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

11. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Committee is asked to resolve:

That under Section 100(A) (2) and (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be now excluded from the meeting for item 12 (if any) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of confidential or exempt information as defined in Section 100A (3) and Part I of Schedule 12A of the said Act as amended.

In resolving to exclude the public in respect of the exempt information, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

**PART II**

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN EXEMPT NATURE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

<u>Circulation:</u>	Councillors	G.Michaelides (Chairman)	R.Platt
		J.Boulton (Vice-Chairman)	P.Smith
		L.Brandon	C.Stanbury
		F.Marsh	

Senior Leadership Team  
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