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7 September 2023

You are requested to attend a meeting of the WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE to be held on Monday 18 September 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6AE

A G E N D A PART 1

1. <u>SUBSTITUTION OF MEMBERS</u>

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 28 June 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. RISK MANAGEMENT QUARTER 1 RISK REGISTERS (Pages 3 - 54)

To receive a report of the Executive Director (Finance and Transformation).

7. SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT (SIAS) PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 55 - 74)

To receive the Shared Internal Audit Progress Report.

8. SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT (SIAS) ANNUAL REPORT (Pages 75 - 88)

To receive the Shared Internal Audit Annual Report.

9. SHARED ANTI-FRAUD SERVICES (SAFS) PROGRESS REPORT ON ANTI FRAUD PLAN 2023/2024 (Pages 89 - 104)

To receive the Shared Anti-Fraud Services (SAFS) Progress Report on Anti Fraud Plan 2023/2024

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

D.Panter (Chair) Circulation: Councillors N.Pace C.Watson (Vice-Chairman) R.Platt

J.Boulton

Senior Leadership Team Press and Public (except Part II Items)

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