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14 June 2017

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the;

AUDIT COMMITTEE

on THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017 at 3.00 pm.

in the Council Chamber. Maldon District Council Offices, Princes Road, Maldon.

A copy of the agenda is attached.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN Councillor P G L Elliott

VICE-CHAIRMAN Councillor E L Bamford

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AGENDA AUDIT COMMITTEE

THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017

- 1. Chairman's notices (please see overleaf)
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. **Minutes of the last meeting** (Pages 5 22)

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 30 March 2017, (copy enclosed).

4. **Disclosure of Interest**

To disclose the existence and nature of any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, other Pecuniary Interests or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items of business on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 6-8 inclusive of the Code of Conduct for Members.

(Members are reminded that they are also required to disclose any such interests as soon as they become aware should the need arise throughout the meeting).

5. **Draft Annual Governance Statement 2016 / 17** (Pages 23 - 34)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources (copy enclosed).

6. The Role of the Audit Committee

To receive a presentation from the Director of Resources.

7. <u>External Audit - Annual Audit and Certification of Fees Letter 2017 / 18</u> (Pages 35 - 40)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources (copy enclosed).

8. **Quarterly Review of Corporate Risk** (Pages 41 - 70)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources (copy enclosed).

9. **Updates from External Audit (Ernst and Young LLP)** (Pages 71 - 80)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources (copy enclosed).

10. **Briefing Note from External Auditor** (Pages 81 - 94)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources, (copy enclosed).

11. **Performance Against 2016 / 17 Internal Audit Plan** (Pages 95 - 112)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources, (copy enclosed).

12. <u>Internal Audit Annual Report 2016 / 17</u> (Pages 113 - 132)

To receive and note the report of the Director of Resources, (copy enclosed).

13. **Review of Data Quality Policy** (Pages 133 - 144)

To receive the report of the Director of Resources (copy enclosed).

14. Future Meetings of the Audit Committee (Verbal Report)

To discuss the start time of future Audit Committee meetings.

15. Any other items of business that the Chairman of the Committee decides are urgent

NOTICES

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