

Title:	Audit Committee
Date:	20 December 2011
Time:	4.00pm
Venue	Committee Room 1, Hove Town Hall
Members:	Councillors: Hamilton (Chair), Follett (Deputy Chair), Jarrett, Mitchell, A Norman, Pissaridou, Smith, Sykes, Wakefield and Wealls
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AGENDA

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35. PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

- (a) Declaration of Substitutes Where Councillors are unable to attend a meeting, a substitute Member from the same Political Group may attend, speak and vote in their place for that meeting.
- (b) Declarations of Interest by all Members present of any personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Members regard the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.
- (c) Exclusion of Press and Public To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

NOTE: Any item appearing in Part 2 of the Agenda states in its heading the category under which the information disclosed in the report is exempt from disclosure and therefore not available to the public.

A list and description of the exempt categories is available for public inspection at Brighton and Hove Town Halls.

36. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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Minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 September 2011 (copy attached).

37. CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS

38. PETITIONS

No petitions received by date of publication.

39. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

(The closing date for receipt of public questions is 12 noon on 13 December 2011)

No public questions received by date of publication.

40. DEPUTATIONS

No deputations received by date of publication.

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41. LETTERS FROM COUNCILLORS No letters have been received. 42. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS No written questions have been received. 43. TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT 2011/12 9 - 24(INCLUDING ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2011/12) MID YEAR **REVIEW- FOR INFORMATION** Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached). 44. TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) MONTH 7- FOR 25 - 64 **INFORMATION** Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached). Contact Officer: Nigel Manvell Tel: 29-3104 45. AUDIT COMMISSION: 2011/12 PROGRESS REPORT AND BRIEFING 65 - 76 Report of the Audit Commission (copy attached). 46. AUDIT COMMISSION: ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2010/11 77 - 92 Report of the Audit Commission (copy attached). 47. REQUEST FOR ASSURANCES FROM THE AUDIT COMMITTEE TO 93 - 98 SUPPORT THE AUDIT OF THE 2011/12 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Report of the Audit Commission (copy attached). 48. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT 99 - 106

Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached) Contact Officer: Ian Withers Tel: 29-1323 49. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2010/11 - ACTION PLAN 107 -**PROGRESS UPDATE** 114 Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached). Contact Officer: Ian Withers Tel: 29-1323 Ward Affected: All Wards **50. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER** 115 -

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Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Jackie Algar Tel: 29-1273

Ward Affected All Wards

51. REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

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Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Catherine Vaughan Tel: 29-1333

Ward Affected: All Wards

PART TWO

52. PART TWO MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (EXEMPT CATEGORY 3 & 7)

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Part Two minutes of the previous meeting held on 27 September 2011 (copy attached).

53. STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ACTION PLANS FOCUS

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Report of the Director of Finance (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Jackie Algar Tel: 29-1273

Ward Affected: All Wards

54. STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT ACTION PLANS FOCUS-SAFEGUARDING VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, INCLUDING LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN (SR6) & PROMOTING A SUSTAINABLE CITY (SR8) (EXEMPT CATEGORY 3)

(Verbal Update)

55. PART TWO ITEMS

To consider whether or not any of the above items and the decisions thereon should remain exempt from disclosure to the press and public.

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