

AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE

8th September 2021

PRESENT:-

Labour Group

Councillor Dunn (Chair) and Councillor Shepherd (Vice Chair).

Conservative Group

Councillors Ford.

Independent Group

Councillor MacPherson

AS/15 **APOLOGIES**

The Sub-Committee was informed that apologies had been submitted by Councillor Atkin (Conservative Group)..

AS/16 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no declarations of interest had been received.

AS/17 **TO RECEIVE ANY QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.10**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no questions from members of the public had been received.

AS/18 **TO RECEIVE ANY QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

MATTERS DELEGATED

AS/19 **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT**

The Internal Auditor presented the report informing Members of the Council's progress during the period since the last meeting and highlighted salient points from the Audit Dashboard. The Sub-Committee was updated on outstanding recommendations and the Housing and Repairs Audit.

Councillor Mulgrew raised a query regarding completed jobs that could not be located. The Head of Housing explained that these related to completed tickets that had not been returned by trade's people and that an electronic system was being considered to prevent this problem in the future.

Councillor Shepherd raised queries regarding the expenses recommendation raised in 2018 and Waste Management Health and Safety training. The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) advised the Sub-Committee that the expenses issue would need to be addressed as part of a review of pay and conditions and that the main Health and Safety Training had been carried out.

RESOLVED:-

The report of the Audit Manager was considered, and any issues identified referred to the Finance and Management Committee or subject to a follow-up report as appropriate.

AS/20 **2021-22 ANTI-FRAUD AND CORRUPTION PLAN AND COUNTER FRAUD PARTNERSHIP PERFORMANCE UPDATE AND AGREEMENT**

The Head of Customer Services presented the report to the Sub-Committee which related to partnership working with Derby City Council and it was noted that with the new Corporate Training Officer along with the report, fraud awareness had been embedded within the Council

RESOLVED:-

1.1 The Committee noted the performance of the Counter Fraud Partnership with Derby City Council (see Appendix 1) and the cashable and value for money savings that had been delivered in 2020-2021.

1.2 The Committee approved the Counter Fraud Partnership be continued for 2021-2022 and approved the Council's proposed Anti-Fraud and Corruption Action Plan (see Appendix 2) that directs the work of the partnership.

AS/21 **COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME**

The Strategic Director (Corporate Resources) presented the Committee Work Programme to Members.

RESOLVED:-

The Committee considered and approved the updated work programme.

AS/22 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 (AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT [ACCESS TO INFORMATION] ACT 1985)**

RESOLVED:-

That in accordance with Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting as it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part I of the Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in the header to each report on the Agenda.

AS/23 **EXEMPT QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO.11**

The Sub-Committee was informed that no questions from Members of the Council had been received.

The Meeting terminated at 4:40 PM.

COUNCILLOR DUNN

CHAIR