## **Cherwell District Council**

## **Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee**

Minutes of a meeting of the Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee held at Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA, on 25 September 2019 at 6.30 pm

Present: Councillor Mike Kerford-Byrnes (Chairman)

Councillor Hugo Brown (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Nathan Bignell Councillor Nicholas Mawer Councillor Les Sibley Councillor Sean Woodcock

Also Anand Persaud, CW Audit Services

Present:

Apologies Councillor Hannah Banfield

for Councillor Tom Wallis

absence:

Officers: Adele Taylor, Executive Director: Finance (Interim) & Section

151 Officer

Joanne Kaye, Strategic Business Partner

Sharon Hickson, Democratic and Elections Officer

#### 26 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

# 27 Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

There were no petitions or requests to address the meeting.

### 28 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 31 July 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# 29 Chairman's Announcements

There were no chairman's announcements.

# 30 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

# 31 Internal Audit Progress Report 2019/20

The Executive Director – Finance (Interim) submitted a report to receive the CW Internal Audit Services progress report for 2019/20.

#### Resolved

(1) That the contents of the 2019/20 internal audit progress report from CW Audit Services be noted.

# 32 Work Programme 2019/20 and 2020/21

The Executive Director – Finance (Interim) submitted a work plan for 2019/20 and 2020/21.

#### Resolved

(1) That after due consideration the Work Programme 2019/20 and 2020/21 be noted.

## 33 Treasury Management Report - Q1 2019/20

The Executive Director of Finance (Interim) submitted a report which presented information on treasury management performance and compliance with treasury management policy for 2019/20 as required by the Treasury Management Code of Practice.

In presenting the report the Strategic Finance Business Partner highlighted to members that Table 2 in section 3.11 represented Treasury Loans only, the Table in section 3.13 also included finance lease costs.

#### Resolved

(1) That the contents of the June 2019 Treasury Management Report be noted.

#### 34 Exclusion of Press and Public

# Resolved

That under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that, if the public and press were present, it would be likely that exempt information falling under the provisions of Schedule 12A, Part I,

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Paragraph 3 would be disclosed to them, and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

# 35 Q1 Treasury report- Appendix 1-EXEMPT

#### Resolved

(1) That the exempt Appendix be noted.

## 36 Closure of Accounts

The Executive Director of Finance (Interim) provided an exempt verbal update on the Closure of Accounts.

# Resolved

(1) That the verbal update be noted

The meeting ended at 7.22 pm

Chairman:

Date: