

AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2012

Present: Mr Michael Bonner (Independent Chair)

Councillors Joan Hully; David Riley; Gilbert Scurrah; Doug Wilson; Carole Woodman

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Peter Connolly and Graham Sunderland.

Officers: Joanne Wagstaffe, Corporate Director Resources and Transformation; Peter Usher, Audit Services Manager; Wendy Halbert, Principal Auditor; Kate Dowle, Fraud Prevention Team Leader; Tim Capper, Democratic Services Manager.

Also in attendance: Jackie Bellard and Richard McGahon, Audit Commission

AU 40 Minutes

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meetings held on 19 December 2011 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

AU 41 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Carole Woodman declared a Personal Interest in issues relating to Council Tax and NNDR as company secretary of a business having current dealings with the Council.

AU 42 Fraud Quarterly Monitoring Report

The Committee considered a report summarising trends in casework on fraud referrals in the third quarter of 2011/12.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

AU 43 Audit Services Monitoring Report Third Quarter 2011/2012

The Committee considered a report on work carried out by Internal Audit in the third quarter of 2011/12 and the further work which would be the subject of reports in the fourth quarter. Members discussed and asked questions on

the details of individual reports, outstanding audit recommendations and performance indicators.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted

AU 44 **Audit Plan 2011/2012**

The Committee considered the Audit Commission’s plan for the 2011/2012 external audit of the accounting statements, based on a risk-based approach to audit planning.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 6.26 pm

Chairman

Date