

DARTFORD

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Audit Board

Councillor D A Hammock (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs J A Ozog (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor D Butler
Councillor R Gosine
Councillor S N Gosine
Councillor P M Harman
Councillor A R Lloyd

A meeting of the above Board will be held on

Wednesday 17 July 2019

at 7.00pm at the Civic Centre, Dartford

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AUDIT BOARD

AGENDA

Wednesday 17 July 2019

1. **Apologies for Absence.**

2. **Declarations of Interest.**

To receive declarations of interest from Members including the terms(s) of any Grant(s) of Dispensation.

3. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 March 2019**

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(Pages 1 - 10)

4. **Urgent Items**

The Chairman will announce his decision as to whether there are any urgent items and their position on the agenda.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION IN PUBLIC

5. **References from Other Committees (IF ANY)**

There are no references from other Committees for the Board to consider at present.

6. **Report from External Auditor**

(Pages 11 - 46)

To receive a report and appendices from the Council's External Auditor, Grant Thornton UK.

7. **Counter Fraud & Compliance Team Annual Report 2018/19**

(Pages 47 - 52)

This report updates Members with details of the work carried out by the Counter Fraud & Compliance Team during 2018/19.

8. **Annual Governance Statement 2018/19**

(Pages 53 - 78)

This report considers the governance arrangements and the

system of internal control which operated during 2018/19 and the review that has taken place of those arrangements and controls.

9. **Financial Statements (Statement of Accounts) 2018/19**

(Pages 79 -
210)

This report presents the Council's Statement of Accounts for the period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019.

10. **Internal Audit Annual Opinion (July 2019)**

(Pages 211 -
214)

This report sets out the Internal Audit Annual Opinion 2018-19 on the effectiveness of the Council's internal control, governance and risk management arrangements, as required by Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS).

11. **Internal Audit Update Report (July 2019)**

(Pages 215 -
230)

This report provides Members with an update on the Audit Partnership, including Internal Audit activity, service developments and progress towards delivery of the 2019/20 Audit Plan.

12. **Selective Invoice Checks**

(Pages 231 -
234)

In March 2019, Members selected five creditor payments, at random, for testing to ascertain probity and accuracy of the transactions. This report summarises the findings of that exercise and provides Members with the opportunity to select further payments for checking for the next quarter.

13. **Member Development Proposal**

(Pages 235 -
244)

As requested by the Board at its meeting on 27 March 2019 to receive a proposal paper from the Audit Manager (Chief Audit Executive) on future development of Board Member skills.