

# Notice of Meeting

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## Governance and Ethics Committee Monday 25th July, 2022 at 6.30 pm

in the Council Chamber, Council Offices,  
Market Street, Newbury

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Date of despatch of Agenda: Friday, 15 July 2022

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**To:** Councillors Jeff Cant (Chairman), Jeremy Cottam (Vice-Chairman), Jeff Beck, Rick Jones, Tony Linden, David Marsh, Geoff Mayes, Andy Moore, Biyi Oloko, Bill Graham and David Southgate

**Substitutes:** Councillors Adrian Abbs, Owen Jeffery, Steve Masters, Graham Pask, Claire Rowles, Anne Budd and John Downe

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## Agenda

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1 <b>Apologies</b> To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any).	1 - 2
2 <b>Minutes</b> To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 27 June 2022.	3 - 6
3 <b>Declarations of Interest</b> To remind Members of the need to record the existence and nature of any personal, disclosable pecuniary or other registrable interests in items on the agenda, in accordance with the Members' <a href="#">Code of Conduct</a> .	7 - 8
4 <b>Forward Plan</b> Purpose: To consider the Forward Plan for the next 12 months.	9 - 10

## Governance Matters

5 <b>Internal Audit Annual Assurance Report 2020/21 (GE4226)</b> Purpose: Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) require the Audit Manager to make a formal annual report to those charged with governance within the Council.	11 - 28
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| 6 | <b>2021/22 Draft Financial Statements Highlight Report (GE4236)</b><br>Purpose: the report is to inform members of the key highlights from the draft 2021/22 financial statements and progress by the Council's external auditors Grant Thornton in respect of the 2020/21 external audit.  | 29 - 40 |
| 7 | <b>Financial Year 2021/22 Annual Treasury Outturn Report (EX4237)</b><br>Purpose: the report provides an overview of the treasury management activity for financial year 2021/22 as at 31 March 2022, as required by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's Treasury Management in the Public Services: Code of Practice (the CIPFA Code). | 41 - 56 |
| 8 | <b>Going Concern Assessment as at 31 March 2022</b><br>Purpose: the report summarises management's assessment of the Council's ability to function as a going concern; this determination supporting the preparation of the Statement of Accounts for 2021/22.  | 57 - 68 |

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