Notice of Meeting

Governance and Audit Committee

Monday, 5th September, 2011 at 6.00 pm in Council Chamber Council Offices Market Street Newbury

Date of despatch of Agenda: Friday, 26 August 2011

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To: Councillors Jeff Beck (Chairman), Paul Bryant, David Holtby, Tony Linden,

Julian Swift-Hook (Vice-Chairman), Tony Vickers and Quentin Webb

Substitutes: Councillors Brian Bedwell, Adrian Edwards, Alan Macro and David Rendel

Agenda

Part I Page No. 1. **Apologies** To receive apologies for inability to attend the meeting (if any). 2. **Minutes** 1 - 6 To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 18 April 2011 and 17 May 2011. 3. **Declarations of Interest** To receive any Declarations of Interest from Members. To Follow 4. **KPMG's External Audit Governance Report (GA2363)** Purpose: Greg McIntosh and Joanna Lees (KPMG) to inform Members of KPMG's audit of West Berkshire Council's financial statements. 5. Financial Statements 2010-11 (GA2218) To Follow Purpose: To inform Members of the Council's Financial Statements for 2010-11. 7 - 12 6. Internal Audit Annual Report 2010/11 (GA2056) Purpose: To provide the Committee with an opinion from the "Head of Internal Audit" on the Council's internal control framework, and to support the approval of the Annual Governance Statement. To Follow 7. **Heads of Service Assurance Statements (GA2344)** Purpose: To outline the issues of concern highlighted by the Council's Heads of Service in their Annual Assurance Statements. 8. Annual Governance Statement - Statement in Support by the 13 - 20 **Monitoring Officer (GA2342)** Purpose: To provide evidence and independent verification of governance matters which may impact on the Annual Governance Statement from the viewpoint of the Monitoring Officer.



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9.	Annual Governance Statement Statement in support by the s151 Officer (GA2343) Purpose: To provide evidence and independent verification of governance matters which may impact on the Annual Governance Statement from the viewpoint of the Section 151 Officer.	21 - 28
10.	Risk Management Annual Report (GA2118) Purpose: To provide a review of Risk Management work carried out in 2010-11 and outline proposals for 2011-12.	29 - 38
11.	Annual Governance Statement (GA2341) Purpose: To present the Annual Governance Statement for the Council for the year 2010-11.	39 - 50
12.	Amendments to the Constitution - Parts 4, 5 & 6 (C2303) Purpose: To consider any changes required to the Council's Constitution.	51 - 158
13.	Recognition of Former Councillors (C2326) Purpose: To consider introducing a scheme which will enable this Council to recognise former Councillors who have provided eminent service to this Council over a long period of time.	159 - 166
14.	Amendment to the Constitution - List of Exemptions to "Key Decisions" (C2338) Purpose: To seek approval to extend the exception criteria for reports that can be considered as Individual Executive Member Decisions.	167 - 174

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