

Audit Committee

Agenda

Wednesday 23 November 2022 at 7.00 pm

Meeting Room 1 (2nd Floor) - 3 Shortlands, Hammersmith, W6 8DA

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MEMBERSHIP

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Members of the public are welcome to attend, but spaces are limited so please contact David.Abbott@lbhf.gov.uk if you'd like to attend. The building has disabled access.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.

At meetings where members of the public are allowed to be in attendance and speak, any Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest may also make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter. The Councillor must then withdraw immediately from the meeting before the matter is discussed and any vote taken.

Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.

Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Standards Committee.

3. MINUTES 4 - 14

To approve the open and exempt minutes of the previous meeting and to note any outstanding actions.

Exempt minutes

Discussion of the exempt minutes will require passing the proposed resolution below to exclude members of the public and press.

Proposed resolution to exclude the public

The Committee is invited to resolve, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business, on the grounds that they contain the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the said Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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The next meeting will be held on 14 March 2023.