

## **Audit Committee**

Thursday, 24 September 2009 at 7.30 pm Committee Room 1, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley HA9 9HD

### Membership:

Members first alternates Second alternates

Councillors: Councillors: Councillors:

Cummins (Chair) Dunn Pagnamenta

HM Patel (Vice-Chair) HB Patel Detre
Butt John Beswick

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### **Agenda**

Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

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#### 1 Declarations of personal and prejudicial interests

Members are invited to declare, at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

- 2 Deputations
- 3 Minutes of the previous meeting
- 4 Matters arising
- 5 Statement of accounts 2008/09 Annual governance report

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Under the Council's Constitution, the General Purposes Committee has responsibility for approving the accounts, which it did on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009. The Audit Committee, however, has responsibility for reviewing the annual statement of accounts to ensure that appropriate accounting policies have been followed and, where required, that concerns arising from the financial statements or from the audit are brought to the attention of the Council.

Ward Affected: Contact Officer: Duncan McLeod, Director of

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#### 6 First Internal Audit Progress Report 2009/10

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This report sets out a summary of the work of Internal Audit for the period from 1 April 2009 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009. The attached report provides further details of this together with the assurance ratings and priority 1 recommendations of those audits for which the final reports have been issued since the start of the financial year.

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# 7 Treasury Management - Select Committee report on local authority investments in Icelandic banks

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This report looks at developments since the last meeting of the Audit Committee. In particular, the House of Commons Select Committee has reported on the lessons to be learnt from the collapse of Icelandic banks with which local authorities had deposits.

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#### 8 Any other urgent business

Notice of items to be raised under this heading must be given in writing to the Democratic Services Manager or his representative before the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 64.

#### 9 Date of next meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Audit Committee is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

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