



Meeting: AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday, 19th September 2007

Time: 7.00 pm

**Venue: Committee Room 4, 2nd Floor, Brent Town Hall,
Forty Lane, Wembley**

AGENDA

Membership:

Member	1st Alternate	2nd Alternate
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Introductions, if appropriate
Apologies for absence

1. **Declarations of Interest (if any)**

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

2. **Deputations (if any)**

p. 1 3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 20th June 2007**

p. 5 4. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

Statement of Accounts 2006/07

The Audit Committee 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.

To follow **International Standard on Auditing (ISA)260**

The ISA260 report itself together with the representation letter from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources to PWC will be circulated to members prior to the Committee meeting.

p.9 5. Report from the Director of Policy and Regeneration and the Monitoring Officer

Reports issued by the Local Government Ombudsman

Each year the Local Government Ombudsman issues an Annual Letter in which he provides a summary of the complaints about the council that his office has dealt with and reflects generally on the council's complaints handling. The Annual Letter for 2006/2007 was issued in June 2007 and this report summarises the key points and outlines the improvement measures highlighted by the Letter.

p. 17 6. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

Anti-Fraud Framework

The purpose of this report is to present the draft Anti-Fraud Framework for approval by Members.

p.45 7. Report from the Director of Finance and Corporate Resources

Internal Audit Progress Report 2007/08

This report summarises the work of Internal Audit for the period from April to August 2007. The report also summarises the results of audit work to date and the adequacy and effectiveness of control in the Council's systems where Internal Audit has issued final reports since April 2007.

8. **Any other 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 No. 65.

7. Date of Next Meeting

It is provisionally proposed to change the date of the next meeting to ***Tuesday, 18th December 2007 at 4.30 pm.***



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