

## **Governance Committee**

Tuesday, 24th May, 2022, 6.00 pm

Shield Room, Civic Centre, West Paddock, Leyland, PR25 1DH

## Agenda

## 1 Apologies for absence

## 2 Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to indicate at this stage in the proceedings any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that if the interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct) they must leave the room for the whole of that item. If the interest is not a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, but is such that a member of the public could reasonably regard it as being so significant that it is likely that it would prejudice their judgment of the public interest (as explained in the Code of Conduct) then they may make representations, but then must leave the meeting for the remainder of the item.

## 3 Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 29 March 2022 of Governance Committee

(Pages 3 - 8)

Minutes of the last meeting held Tuesday, 29 March are attached to be agreed as a correct record for signing by the Chair.

### 4 Audit Progress Report and Sector Update

(Pages 9 - 24)

Report of the External Auditors attached.

#### 5 External Audit Plan 2021/22

(Pages 25 - 50)

Report of the External Auditors attached.

# 6 Management responses to External Audit Planning Enquiries 2021/22

(Pages 51 - 76)

Report of the Director of Finance/Section 151 Officer attached.

## 7 Internal Audit Annual Report and Opinion 2021-2022

(Pages 77 - 96)

Report of the Service Lead (Audit and Risk) attached.

## 8 Review of the effectiveness of Internal Audit 2022

(Pages 97 - 148)

Report of the Service Lead (Audit and Risk) attached.

## 9 Draft Annual Governance Statement

(Pages 149 - 170)

Report of the Director of Governance/Monitoring Officer attached.

Gary Hall Chief Executive

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