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## NOTICE OF MEETING

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

### Date & Time Monday, 6 April 2009 9.30 a.m.

# Venue at **Room 14, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford**

Jaki Salisbury Interim Chief Executive

To: The Chairman and Members of the AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Cllrs D J Lawrence (Chairman), J Machin (Vice-Chairman), A R Baines, R A Baker, Mrs A Barker, Mrs A Guess and Mrs K D Keen

All other Members of the Council - on request

#### MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

# AGENDA

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

#### 2. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

lf any.

#### 3. MEMBERS' INTERESTS

To receive from Members declarations and the **nature** thereof in relation to:-

- (a) Personal Interests in any Agenda item
- (b) Personal and Prejudicial Interests in any Agenda item

#### 4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

To deal with general questions and statements from members of the public in accordance with the scheme of public participation set out in Appendix A referred to in Public Participation Scheme.

#### 5. DISCLOSURE OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

To consider any proposal to deal with an item likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information (as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972) prior to the exclusion of the press and public.

REPORTS

#### Item Subject

- 6 Audit Committee Terms of Reference 6.1 6.8 The report proposes to note the terms of Reference of the Audit Committee as approved in the Constitution.
- Risk Management Strategy and Working Practices 7.1 7.41
  The report proposes that the Audit Committee agrees with the Corporate Risk Management Strategy and approves the working practices that will deliver the strategy.

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8	Internal Audit Charter The report proposes to describe how the Internal Audit function will work within Central Bedfordshire.	8.1 – 8.17
9	Review of Legacy Authority Governance and Inspection Statements The report proposes to provide the Audit Committee with an understanding of the inherent risks of the legacy authorities (as highlighted by the previous authorities and Audit Commission) which come together to form Central Bedfordshire.	9.1 – 9.81
10	<b>2009-10 Audit Plan - Approach for First Six Months</b> The report outlines the approach to be adopted for creating an audit plan for Central Bedfordshire with specific reference to the audit work to be undertaken during the first six months.	10.1 – 10.3