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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Date & Time

**Thursday, 29 June 2017 10.00 a.m.**

Venue at

**Council Chamber, Priory House, Monks Walk, Shefford**

Richard Carr  
**Chief Executive**

To: The Chairman and Members of the AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Cllrs M C Blair (Chairman), D J Lawrence (Vice-Chairman), D Bowater,  
P Downing, R Morris, D Shelvey and A Zerny

[Named Substitutes:

Cllrs R D Berry, Mrs J G Lawrence, I Shingler and N Warren]

All other Members of the Council - on request

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MEETING***

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## AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitute Members.

2. **Minutes**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 3 April 2017 (copy attached).

3. **Members' Interests**

To receive from Members any declarations of interest.

4. **Chairman's Announcements and Communications**

To receive any announcements from the Chairman and any matters of communication.

5. **Petitions**

To receive petitions from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 2 of Part A4 of the Constitution.

6. **Questions, Statements or Deputations**

To receive any questions, statements or deputations from members of the public in accordance with the Public Participation Procedure as set out in Annex 1 of Part A4 of the Constitution.

### Reports

Item	Subject	Page Nos.
7.	<b>Central Bedfordshire Council Unaudited Statement of Accounts 2016/17</b>	
	To receive a presentation on the unaudited Statement of Accounts for 2016/17.	
8.	<b>Annual Audit and Certification Fees 2017/18</b>	* 13 - 16
	To consider a letter from Ernst & Young LLP to the Chief Executive setting out the proposed fees for the audit of the Council's 2017/18 financial statements, Value for Money conclusion and certification of claims and returns.	

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| 9.  | <b>Annual Governance Statement 2016/17</b>   | + To Follow |
|     | To consider the draft Annual Governance Statement for 2016/17.   |             |
| 10. | <b>Annual Counter Fraud Update</b>   | * 17 - 28   |
|     | To consider an update on the work of the Corporate Fraud Investigation Team.   |             |
| 11. | <b>Local Government Pension Scheme Update</b>  | + To Follow |
|     | To consider an update on the governance of the Local Government Pension Scheme.  |             |
| 12. | <b>2016/17 Internal Audit - Annual Audit Opinion</b>   | * 29 - 50   |
|     | To consider the annual report to those charged with governance on the overall adequacy and effectiveness of Central Bedfordshire Council's financial and other management internal controls. |             |
| 13. | <b>Risk Update Report</b>  | * 51 - 56   |
|     | To consider an overview of the Council's risk position as at June 2017.  |             |
| 14. | <b>Tracking of Internal Audit Recommendations</b>  | * 57 - 68   |
|     | To consider a summary of high priority recommendations arising from Internal Audit reports together with the progress made in their implementation.  |             |
| 15. | <b>Work Programme</b>  | * 69 - 72   |
|     | To consider the Audit Committee's work programme.  |             |