# **Audit Committee Thursday 23 November 2017** 10.00 am Wyndham Room - County Hall, **Taunton**



To: The Members of the Audit Committee

Cllr D Ruddle (Chairman), Cllr S Coles, Cllr N Bloomfield (Vice-Chairman), Cllr M Caswell, Cllr B Filmer, Cllr J Lock, Cllr M Rigby, Cllr P Ham and Cllr J Thorne

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#### **AGENDA**

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\* Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe \*

### 1 Apologies for absence

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils will be displayed in the meeting room. The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via the Community Governance team.

3 Minutes from the previous meeting (Pages 9 - 14)

The Committee is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

#### 4 Public Question Time

The Chairman will allow members of the public to present a petition on any matter within the Committee's remit. Questions or statements about any matter on the agenda for this meeting will be taken at the time when each matter is considered.

5 Partial Audit - Children's Independent Placements - Financial Controls (Pages 15 - 46)

To consider this report.

6 Partial Audit - The Planned Use of Schools Balances (Pages 47 - 70)

To consider this report.

7 **External Audit Update** (Pages 71 - 96)

To consider this report from the External Auditors.

8 Internal Audit Update (Pages 97 - 118)

To consider this report from the Internal Auditors.

9 **Debt Management** (Pages 119 - 126)

To consider this report.

10 Partial Audit - Debt Management (Pages 127 - 158)

To consider this report.

11 **Income Code of Practice** (Pages 159 - 202)

To consider this report.

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12	Committee Future Workplan (Pages 203 - 206)
	To consider this report

## 13 Any other urgent items of business

The Chairman may raise any items of urgent business.