

# Crawley Borough Council

#### **Audit Committee**

Agenda for the **Special Meeting of the Audit Committee** which will be held in **virtually - Microsoft Teams Live**, on **Thursday, 29 April 2021** at **9.30 am** 

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**Chief Executive** 

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Membership:

Councillors J Millar-Smith (Chair), M Flack (Vice-Chair), T G Belben, M G Jones and J Purdy

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#### The order of business may change at the Chair's discretion

## Part A Business (Open to the Public)

## **Pages** 1. **Apologies for Absence** 2. **Disclosures of Interest** In accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, councillors are reminded that it is a requirement to declare interests where appropriate. 3. **Minutes** 5 - 10 To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Audit Committee held on 3 March 2021. 4 **Public Question Time** To consider any written questions that were submitted in advance and accepted in line with the Constitution. These will be read to the Committee and be followed by a response. The questioner will receive an emailed copy of the response given at the meeting. There will be no supplementary questions. 5. Confirmed Total Final External Audit Fees for 2019/20 11 - 12 The Council has received confirmation from Ernst and Young that the total final external audit fees for 2019/20 are £90,824. Following the concerns expressed by the Committee at its last few meetings that the fees would be larger than initially estimated, the final fees were then circulated to the Chair and Vice-Chair who have in turn requested that this matter be brought urgently before the Committee for its discussion. An extract from Ernst and Young's final Annual Audit Letter for the Year Ended 2019/20 is attached, which confirms the total final external audit fees charged. RECOMMENDATION That the Committee decide what action, if any, it wishes to take.

## 6. Supplemental Agenda

Any urgent item(s) complying with Section 100(B) of the Local Government Act 1972.

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