

Eden District Council

Accounts and Governance Committee Minutes

Date: 9 June 2022 Venue: The Council Chamber, Town Hall, Corney Place, Penrith, CA11 7QF Time: 6.45 pm

Present:

Chair: Councillor M Eyles
Vice Chair: Councillor S Lancaster
Councillors: R Briggs W Patterson
K Greenwood D Wicks
Standing Deputies: Councillor P G Baker
Officers Present: Marianne Bastille, Assistant Director Finance & HR
Lisa Tremble, Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services
Others Present: Jane Butterfield, TIAA
Democratic Services Officer: Ian Bonfig

AGc/1/06/22 Appointment of Vice-Chair

Proposed by Cllr Eyles
Seconded by Cllr Wicks

and **RESOLVED** that Cllr Lancaster be appointed Vice-Chair of the Accounts and Governance Committee for the 2022/2023 municipal year.

AGc/2/06/22 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Connell, Lynch and McCall.

AGc/3/06/22 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr Eyles
Seconded by Cllr Greenwood

and **RESOLVED** that the minutes AGc/68/05/22 to AGc/73/05/22 of the meeting of this Committee, previously confirmed and signed by the Chair at Annual Council held on the 26th May 2022, be noted.

AGc/4/06/22 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

Cllr Eyles gave a personal explanation that he was recording the meeting for personal use.

AGc/5/06/22 Annual Fraud Report 2021/22

Members considered the report DoR47/22 of the Interim Director of Resources, presented by the Assistant Director Finance & HR, which sought to provide an update on how the Council had worked to detect and prevent fraud in 2021/22.

Proposed by Cllr Greenwood
Seconded by Cllr Patterson

and **RESOLVED** that the report be noted.

AGc/6/06/22 Anti-Fraud Plan 2020/21

Members considered the report DoR48/22 of the Assistant Director Finance & HR, which sought to present the proposed and updated Anti-Fraud, Theft, Bribery and Corruption Strategy, and Response Plan for approval.

Proposed by Cllr Lancaster
Seconded by Cllr Wicks

and **RESOLVED** that the updated Anti-Fraud, Theft, Bribery and Corruption Strategy, and Response Plan be approved.

AGc/7/06/22 Internal Audit: Annual Report 2021/22

Members considered the report DoR49/22 of the Assistant Director Finance and HR, which sought to inform the Committee of the Council's Internal Audit Annual Report for 2021-2022. A representative from the auditing firm, TIAA, presented the audit findings to Members of the Committee.

Proposed by Cllr Eyles
Seconded by Cllr Greenwood

and **RESOLVED** that the Accounts and Governance Committee note the Internal Audit Annual Report and Summary Internal Controls Assurance (SICA) Report 2021/22 from TIAA with the attached appendices.

AGc/8/06/22 Risk Management Strategy

Members considered the report DoR50/22 of the Assistant Director Finance and HR, which sought approval for the Council's Risk Management Strategy for 2022-23.

Proposed by Cllr Patterson
Seconded by Cllr Lancaster

and **RESOLVED** that the draft Risk Management Strategy for 2022-23 be approved.

AGc/9/06/22 Any Other Items Which the Chair Decides are Urgent

There were no additional urgent items for consideration.

AGc/10/06/22 Date of Next Scheduled Meeting

The date of the next scheduled meeting of the Accounts and Governance Committee was not confirmed.

The meeting closed at 7.27 pm

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