

**Meeting of:** Audit & Accounts Committee

**Time:** 6.30pm

**Date**

30<sup>th</sup> July 2019

**Venue:** Council Chamber, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Bacup, OL13 0BB



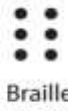
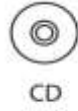
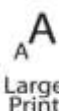
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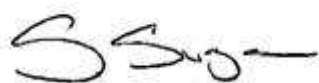
ITEM		Lead Member/Contact Officer
<b>A.</b>	<b>BUSINESS MATTERS</b>	
<b>A1.</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>	
<b>A2.</b>	To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	
<b>A3.</b>	<b>Urgent Items of Business</b> To note any items which the Chair has agreed to add to the Agenda on the grounds of urgency.	
<b>A4.</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> <i>Members are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to seek advice on interest issues if necessary.</i>  Members are requested to indicate at this stage, any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Code of Conduct, they must declare the nature of any personal interest and, if the interest is prejudicial, withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the item.	Glenda Ashton, Committee and Member Services Officer Tel: 01706 252423 Email: <a href="mailto:glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk">glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>B.</b>	<b>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</b>	
<b>B1.</b>	<b>Public Question Time</b> This is an opportunity to ask a question about a matter which the Council may be able to assist with. A time limit of 3 minutes applies for each question and you are only able to address the meeting once.  Please begin by giving your name and state whether you are speaking as an individual member of the public or as a representative of a group. (Question time normally lasts up to 30 minutes).	Glenda Ashton, Committee and Member Services Officer Tel: 01706 252423 Email: <a href="mailto:glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk">glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>

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<b>C.</b>	<b>Chair's Update</b> To receive communications from the Chair	Councillor Marriott
<b>D.</b>	<b>ORDINARY BUSINESS</b>	
<b>D1.</b>	Review of Audit & Accounts Terms of Reference	Councillor Walmsley/Phil Seddon Head of Finance, 01706 252465 <a href="mailto:philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk">philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>D2.</b>	Corporate Risk Report	Councillor Walmsley/Phil Seddon Head of Finance, 01706 252465 <a href="mailto:philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk">philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>D3.</b>	Annual Fraud Report	Councillor Walmsley/Phil Seddon Head of Finance, 01706 252465 <a href="mailto:philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk">philseddon@rossendalebc.gov.uk</a>
<b>D4.</b>	Internal Audit Annual Assurance Opinion 2018/19	Councillor Walmsley/Mark Baskerville Lancashire County Council <a href="mailto:mark.baskerville@lancashire.gov.uk">mark.baskerville@lancashire.gov.uk</a>
<b>D5.</b>	Verbal update from Grant Thornton on the current position of 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 Financial Statements	Councillor Walmsley/Simon Hardman Grant Thornton <a href="mailto:simon.hardman@uk.gt.com">simon.hardman@uk.gt.com</a>
<b>E.</b>	<b>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS</b> To consider passing the appropriate resolution under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business since it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act.	
<b>E1.</b>	<b>Standards Complaints Update (verbal)</b>	Councillor Serridge/Councillor Marriott
<b>E2.</b>	<b>Whistleblowing update (verbal)</b>	Councillor Walmsley/Councillor Marriott



**Stuart Sugarman**  
Chief Executive

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