# Nottinghamshire County Council minutes

Meeting AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date 12 September 2012 (commencing at 2.00 pm)

#### membership

Persons absent are marked with `A'

## COUNCILLORS

Sheila Place (Chairman) Mike Quigley MBE (Vice-Chairman)

Chris Barnfather A John Clarke Mrs Kay Cutts Steve Garner Eric Kerry Richard Jackson Ken Rigby

### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

David Forster	)	Policy, Planning and Corporate Services
John Bailey Nigel Stevenson Rob Disney Andrew Howarth	) ) )	Environment and Resources Department
Caroline Baria Judith Horsfall	) )	Adult Social Care and Health

### ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Reg Adair

Mike Norman	-	Audit Commission
lan Sadd	-	Audit Commission

#### MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 23 May 2012, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from:-

Councillor John Clarke - Other County Council Business

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None

## **EXTERNAL AUDIT – ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORTS**

Mr Norman and Mr Sadd introduced the report and informed committee that the audit reports are scheduled to be signed off by the 30 September 2012.

## **RESOLVED 2012/013**

That the External Auditor's Annual Governance Reports on the County Council and the Pension Fund accounts be noted and :

- 1. that the matters raised in the report are noted before the financial statements are re-signed by the Section 51 Officer.
- 2. that the unadjusted misstatements set out in appendix 2 (amended copy circulated at the meeting) and the reasons for not correcting these misstatements as set out in the Letter of Representation be noted.
- 3. that the Letter of Representation be noted.

## DRAFT LOCAL AUDIT BILL 2012 - CONSULTATION

### **RESOLVED 2012/014**

That the proposals outlined in the Draft Local Audit Bill and the Council's response as set out in Appendix A to the report be noted.

### FINANCIAL REGULATIONS WAIVERS 2011/12

### **RESOLVED 2012/015**

That the report be noted.

### **UNSATISFACTORY FOLLOW-UP AUDIT REPORT – MEALS AT HOME INCOME**

On a Motion by Councillor Mrs Cutts, seconded by Councillor R Jackson it was :-

### **RESOLVED 2012/016**

- 1. That the report be noted and
- 2. that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman of Audit and the Chairman of the Finance and Property Committee meet with Officers as a matter of urgency to look at the

Meals at Home Income and that the recommendations be presented to the Finance and Property Committee at the earliest opportunity.

## **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

On a motion by the Chairman, duly seconded it was:-

#### **RESOLVED: 2012/017**

That the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that discussions are likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information described in paragraph 3 of the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 and the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

It was further:-

### RESOLVED: 2012/018

That Mr Sadd and Mr Norman from the Audit Commission be invited to stay in the meeting for the remaining items of business.

### UNSATISFACTORY FOLLOW-UP AUDIT REPORT – MEALS AT HOME INCOME – APPENDICES

#### **RESOLVED: 2012/019**

That the appendices be noted.

### **INVESTIGATION: CHANGE OF SUPPLIER BANK DETAILS**

Mr Stevenson introduced the report and informed members that there are now more stringent procedures in place for dealing with requests of this nature.

#### **RESOLVED: 2012/020**

That the report be noted.

The meeting closed at 2.45 pm.

#### CHAIRMAN