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30<sup>th</sup> March, 2011

Dear Councillor

# AUDIT COMMITTEE – THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2011

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee to be held on Thursday  $7^{\text{th}}$  April, 2011, at 6.00pm in Committee Room **2** at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

The agenda and reports for this meeting can be viewed on the Council's website <u>www.dudley.gov.uk</u> (Follow the links to Meetings and Decisions).

Yours sincerely,

Director of Corporate Resources

## AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

2. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

To report the appointment of any substitutes to this meeting of the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2011.



5. AUDIT COMMISSION AUDIT OPINION PLAN 2010/11 (PAGES 1 – 24)

To consider a report of the Treasurer.

6. AUDIT COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT ON CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND RETURNS 2009/10 (PAGES 25 – 39)

To consider a report of the Treasurer.

7. AUDIT PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 2011/12 (PAGES 40 – 51)

To consider a report of the Treasurer.

 REVIEW OF THE CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (PAGES 52 – 78)

To consider a report of the Treasurer.

9. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)

## PRIVATE SESSION

In accordance with Paragraph 10 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the Proper Officer has determined that there will be no advance disclosure of the following reports because the public interest in disclosing the information set out in the following items is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure

### 10. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 as indicated below:-

<u>Agenda Item No</u>	Description of Item	Relevant Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A
11	Annual Fraud Report	2 and 7

### 11. AUDIT SERVICES ANNUAL FRAUD REPORT (PAGES 79 – 97)

To consider a report of the Treasurer.

### **Distribution**

Councillors Ahmed, Burston, J D Davies, Hill, Kettle, Lowe, Ms Nicholls, Ms. Partridge and Taylor.