

Council

17 July 2014

Agenda Item 21

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Annual Report of the Audit & Standards Committee - Extract from the Proceedings of the Audit & Standards Committee Meeting held on the 24 June 2014

Date of Meeting: 17 July 2014

Report of: Monitoring Officer

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE**Action Required of the Council:**

To receive the item referred from the Audit & Standards Committee for information:

Recommendations:

(1) To note the extract and the report.

AUDIT & STNADARDS COMMITTEE

4.00 pm 24 June 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBER, HOVE TOWN HALL**DRAFT MINUTES**

Present: Councillors Hamilton (Chair), Janio, Lepper, Littman (Opposition Spokesperson), Smith, Summers, Phillips and Simson

Independent Persons & Co-opted Members: Dr David Horne and Dr Lel Meleyal

PART ONE**6. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

6.1 The Committee considered the report of the Executive Director of Finance and Resources, which was presented by the Acting Head of Internal Audit. The report

provided a summary of the Audit & Standards Committee's work, performance and achievements during 2013/14.

6.2 Mr Horne thanked officers for the report. He referred to paragraph 30 of the report and asked if the review of the Code of Conduct and forthcoming training for members of the Committee could be added. Officers agreed.

6.3 Councillor Simson referred to paragraph 21, and requested that consideration be given to providing additional resources for fraud prevention. The Executive Director of Finance and Resources said that the amount of resources available to address fraud were within the internal audit plan. However some of the work of the Corporate Fraud Team was being transferred to the Department for Works and Pension (DWP), and therefore the funding would need to be reviewed.

6.4 **RESOLVED:**

(1) That the Committee had considered the report; and

(2) That the finalised report be referred to Full Council for Information.