

# EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

## AUDIT (APPROVAL OF STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS) COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit (Approval of Statement of Accounts) Committee held in the Coltman VC Room on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021 at 7.20pm.

### **Present:**

Councillors A. Clarke (Chairman), L. Beech, Mrs R. Brady, A. A. Chaudhry, M. Fitzpatrick, D. F. Fletcher, S. Gaskin, Mrs V. J. Gould, R. Grosvenor, T. Hadley, P. Hudson, S. McGarry and Mrs L. Walker.

### **Officers Present:**

Sal Khan (Head of Service), Mark Rizk (Head of Service) Lisa Turner (Chief Accountant), James Abbott (Corporate and Commercial Manager), Simon Allaway Leisure Services Contract Officer) and the Senior Democratic Services Officer.

### **Also Present:**

Ruby Deo and Mark Watkins (Internal Auditors – CW Audit) Michael Green and Sarah Jassal (Grant Thornton).

#### 05/21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest at the commencement of the meeting.

#### 06/21 **STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Following Scrutiny by the Scrutiny (Audit and Value for Money Council Services) Committee Members were requested to approve the Statutory Statement of Accounts for 2020/21 and letter of representation. This is subject to any adjustment that may be necessary following the conclusion of work undertaken by the Council's external auditors and proposed that authority be delegated to the Chair to sign the accounts accordingly.

### **Resolved:**

1. That subject to any audit amendments agreed with the Chairman under delegated authority, Members approved the Statutory Statement of Accounts for 2020/21.
2. Members approved the Letter of Representation.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows:

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor L Beech	Councillor R Grosvenor	
Councillor B Brady		
Councillor A A Chaudhry		
Councillor A Clarke		
Councillor M Fitzpatrick		
Councillor S Gaskin		

Councillor V J Gould		
Councillor T Hadley		
Councillor P Hudson		
Councillor S McGarry		
Councillor L Walker		

**Chairman**