

## **City and County of Swansea**

# Minutes of the Special Audit Committee

#### Committee Room 6 - Guildhall, Swansea

Thursday, 23 August 2018 at 4.00 pm

**Present**: Paula O'Conner (Independent Chair) Presided

Councillor(s)Councillor(s)Councillor(s)C AndersonP M BlackT J HenneganP R Hood-WilliamsJ W JonesM B LewisW G ThomasL V WaltonT M White

Officer(s)

Gareth Borsden Democratic Services Officer

Tracey Meredith Head of Legal, Democratic Services & Business

Intelligence

Geraint Norman Audit Manager, Wales Audit Office

**Apologies for Absence** Councillor(s): P K Jones

## 36 Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, the following interests were declared: -

Councillor J W Jones – Minute No.37 – Draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 – Member of Port Health Authority – Personal

Councillor M B Lewis – Minute No.37 – Draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 – Member of the Pension Fund & Member of Port Health Authority – Personal.

Paula O'Connor – Agenda as a whole – Employee of Velindre NHS Trust – Providing Internal Audit Service as Head of Internal Audit to Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board – Personal

Councillor W G Thomas – Minute No.37 – Draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 - Pension Fund – Member of the Pension Fund & Pension Fund Committee – Personal.

Councillor T M White – Minute No.37 – Draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 - Member of the Local Pension Board and benefactor of the Local Government Pension Fund & Member of Swansea Bay Port Health Authority – Personal.

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## 37 Draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18.

The Head of Legal, Democratic Services & Business Intelligence reported and outlined to Members the revised draft Annual Governance Statement 2017/18.

The background to the production of the document was outlined and detailed, in particular the main changes at paragraph 5 relating to the inclusion of assurance statements.

She referred to minor typographical errors at pages 8 and 28 which would be amended. A further amendment required was also outlined at page 30 by Members.

She stated that the Annual Governance Statement would be reviewed and updated going forward.

**Resolved** that the Annual Governance Statement 2017/18, subject to the typographical changes highlighted above, be endorsed and referred to Council for approval.

The meeting ended at 4.17 pm

Chair