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## Notice of meeting

### Audit Committee

**Date:** Tuesday, 19 March 2024

**Time:** 7.00 pm

**Place:** Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines-upon-Thames TW18 1XB

#### To the members of the Audit Committee

Councillors:

J. Button (Chair)	M. Bing Dong
K. Howkins (Vice-Chair)	J.R. Boughtflower
M. Arnold	L. E. Nichols

Independent Member:

P. Briggs

Substitute Members: Councillors C. Bateson, S. Bhadye, M. Buck, J.A. Turner and J.R. Sexton

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## Agenda

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- 1. Apologies and Substitutes**

To receive any apologies for absence and notification of substitutions.
- 2. Minutes** **5 - 8**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2024.
- 3. Disclosures of Interest**

To receive any disclosures of interest from Councillors in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct for members.
- 4. Grant Thornton Audit Plan** **9 - 46**

To receive the draft version of the Spelthorne Borough Council Indicative Audit Plan from Grant Thornton.
- 5. Spelthorne response to the consultation on external audit arrangements** **47 - 64**

To note the Government consultation on national arrangements for external audit of local government.
- 6. Updated Review of Self-Assessment against CIPFA Financial Management Code** **65 - 182**

To note the refreshed self-assessment against the CIPFA Financial Management Code and the self-assessment against the DLUHC Best Value Theme for Use of Resources.
- 7. Corporate Risk Management** **183 - 276**

To consider the significant strategic risks and issues highlighted in the report and present these to the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee.
- 8. Counter-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Strategy** **277 - 298**

To endorse the Council's Counter Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Strategy and to approve the recommended changes.
- 9. Accounting Policies** **299 - 324**

To note the 2023-24 accounting policies.
- 10. KGE Accounts** **325 - 358**

To note the report and in particular the unqualified audit report.

**11. SDS Accounts 359 - 390**

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**12. Forward Plan 391 - 394**

To consider the Forward Plan for committee business.