HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

AUDIT COMMITTEE

15 JANUARY 2020 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr DS Cope - Chairman Ms A Pendlebury – Vice-Chairman

Mrs CM Allen, Mr REH Flemming, Mr E Hollick, Mr RB Roberts, Mr BR Walker and Mr P Williams

Officers in attendance: Tan Ashraf, Rebecca Owen and Ashley Wilson.

Gary Morris (Ernst & Young) and Zoe Thomas (Grant Thornton) were also in attendance.

260 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Cook, Lay, Smith and H Williams with the substitution of Councillor CM Allen for Councillor H Williams authorised in accordance with council procedure rule 10.

261 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was noted that Councillor A Pendlebury was missed from the list of attendees on the minutes.

It was moved by Councillor Flemming, seconded by Councillor Pendlebury and

<u>RESOLVED</u> - the minutes of the meeting held on 31 October be confirmed, subject to the above amendment, and signed by the chairman.

262 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

No interests were declared at this stage.

263 INTERNAL AUDIT RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT

Members received the internal audit report into risk management processes for 2019/20. The internal auditor reported similar findings to last year and relatively low level recommendations were made.

<u>RESOLVED</u> – the report be noted.

264 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

The internal auditor presented an update on progress against the 2019/20 internal audit plan. It was explained that the audit deadlines for mid-2020 would be met even though the audit plan was slightly behind schedule.

RESOLVED – the report be noted

265 ASSURANCE LETTER FROM INTERNAL AUDITOR

The internal auditor presented the Housing Benefit Assurance letter which was noted.

The Chair expressed thanks to the internal auditors.

(The Meeting closed at 6.47 pm)

CHAIRMAN