AUDIT COMMITTEE (SPECIAL) AGENDA

7.30pm

Tuesday, 31 July 2007 Havering Town Hall Main Road, Romford

Members 8: Quorum 3

COUNCILLORS:

Conservative Group (5)

David Grantham (C)
Frederick Thompson (V.C)
Michael Armstrong
Roger Ramsey
Vacancy x 1

Residents' Group (2)

Clarence Barrett Barbara Matthews Rainham and Wennington Independent Residents Group (1)

Mark Stewart

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NB: This is a joint meeting with the Culture and Regeneration Overview & Scrutiny Committee



NOTES ABOUT THE MEETING

1. HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Council is committed to protecting the health and safety of everyone who attends meetings of its Committees.

At the beginning of the meeting, there will be an announcement about what you should do if there is an emergency during its course. For your own safety and that of others at the meeting, please comply with any instructions given to you about evacuation of the building, or any other safety related matters.

2. MOBILE COMMUNICATIONS DEVICES

Although mobile phones, pagers and other such devices are an essential part of many people's lives, their use during a meeting can be disruptive and a nuisance. Everyone attending is asked therefore to ensure that any device is switched to silent operation or switched off completely.

3. CONDUCT AT THE MEETING

Although members of the public are welcome to attend meetings of the Committee, they have no right to speak at them. Seating for the public is, however, limited and the Council cannot guarantee that everyone who wants to be present in the meeting room can be accommodated. When it is known in advance that there is likely to be particular public interest in an item the Council will endeavour to provide an overspill room in which, by use of television links, members of the public will be able to see and hear most of the proceedings.

The Chairman of the meeting has discretion, however, to invite members of the public to ask questions or to respond to points raised by Members. Those who wish to do that may find it helpful to advise the Committee Officer before the meeting so that the Chairman is aware that someone wishes to ask a question.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE CHAIRMAN MAY REQUIRE ANYONE WHO ACTS IN A DISRUPTIVE MANNER TO LEAVE THE MEETING AND THAT THE MEETING MAY BE ADJOURNED IF NECESSARY WHILE THAT IS ARRANGED.

If you need to leave the meeting before its end, please remember that others present have the right to listen to the proceedings without disruption. Please leave quietly and do not engage others in conversation until you have left the meeting room.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman will announce details of the arrangements in case of fire or other events that might require the meeting room or building's evacuation.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (if any) - receive.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members are invited to declare any interests in any of the items on the agenda at this point of the meeting. Members may still declare an interest in an item at any time prior to the consideration of the matter.

4. **EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC**

To consider whether the public should now be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that it is likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, if members of the public were present during the following item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of paragraphs 1 & 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 which it is not in the public interest to publish; and, if it is decided to exclude the public on those grounds, Cabinet to resolve accordingly on the motion of the Chairman.

5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT CONTAINING EXEMPT INFORMATION

CHERYL COPPELL
Chief Executive