

## **Audit, Governance and Standards Committee**

MINUTES of the OPEN section of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee held on Thursday 17 March 2022 at 6.30 pm at Online/virtual

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**PRESENT:** Councillor James McAsh (Chair)  
Councillor Humaira Ali  
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle MBE  
Councillor Tom Flynn  
Councillor Andy Simmons  
Councillor Michael Situ

**OFFICER SUPPORT:** David Quirke-Thornton, strategic director of children's and adults' services  
Duncan Whitfield, strategic director of finance and governance  
Virginia Wynn-Jones, constitutional team

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor Graham Neale, and from Caroline Bruce.

### **2. CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS**

The members present were confirmed as the voting members.

### **3. NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT**

There were none.

### **4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS**

There were none.

### **5. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of 7 February 2022 were agreed as a correct record.

**6. GOVERNANCE CONVERSATION: DAVID QUIRKE-THORNTON**

David Quirke-Thornton, strategic director of children's and adults' services, presented the governance structures of the department. Members had questions for the strategic director.

Members thanked the strategic director for his attendance.

**7. GOVERNANCE UPDATE: CAROLINE BRUCE**

Caroline Bruce, strategic director of environment and leisure, sent her apologies, and committed to attend the next audit, governance and standards committee available to discuss the governance structures of the department.

Meeting ended at 8.00 pm

**CHAIR:**

**DATED:**