

GOVERNORS AUDIT COMMITTEE

Tuesday 15th November 2022 5pm To be held remotely via ZOOM video conferencing

AGENDA

In attendance:

Mr G Thompson, Principal (at request of committee)
Mrs M Searle, Director of Finance & resources (at request of committee)
Mrs C Biscoe, / Mr David Wallis, Buzzacott LLP for item 18
Mrs E Lewis, Clerk to the Governors

Mr Ebele, Vice Chair, will chair the meeting

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Welcome: Mr C Uraih, foundation governor
- 3. Apologies:
- 4. Declarations of Interest:
- 5. Election of Chair of Committee (to serve two year term of office)
- 6. **Election of Vice-Chair of Committee** (to serve two year term of office)
- 7. **Minutes of meeting held on 17**th **May 2022**: Previously circulated on 29th June 2022 and reported to full Board, 5th July 2022 (*in papers*)
- 8. Action Points from previous meeting:
 - 8.1. Letter of Engagement for Buzzacott (item 9.3)
 - 8.2. Internal Audit Service IT Infrastructure assignment report on Secure remote working, Information Security and Operational Resilience (item 11)
- 9. Matters Arising, not covered by agenda items:
- 10. Regularity Audit Self-Assessment 2021 2022: committee to receive formally the final version of the completed questionnaire as submitted to auditors. This version was approved following consultation with Audit committee members by email, 30th September 2022 and subsequently signed by Mr Sheta and Mr Thompson. (final signed version in papers)
- 11. Internal Audit: College Action Report: Mrs Searle (in papers)
- 12. Risk Management:
 - 12.1. To receive updated risk register and policy (in papers)
 - 12.2. Principal to present verbal report on key active risks.
- 13. Internal Audit: Assessment of internal control / audit assignments
- 14. **Board Assurance Framework:** To confirm that the framework reviewed in Summer 2022, approved by the Governing Body (*in papers*) provides assurance in conjunction with the IAS assignments for end of year financial statements 2021 2022.

- 15. Audit Committee Annual Report to Governors for 2021 2022: For discussion and agreement (*draft in papers*). Audit committee members are asked to consider specifically whether the report reflects all the activities that the committee has or should be carrying out including the audit plans and levels of assurance in place. This report will be filed with the ESFA. There is no annual opinion from IAS.
- 16. Summary of Committee Effectiveness in 2021 -2022
- 17. Any other business:

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- 18. c6pm. THIS ITEM TO BE TAKEN IN JOINT (REMOTE) SESSION WITH THE FINANCE & RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND THE GOVERNING BODY:
 - 18.1. **FMCE**¹: to note completed non-mandatory self-evaluation for 2021 2022: Mrs Searle. (*in papers*)
 - 18.2. Financial Statements for year ended 31st July 2022 to be presented by Buzzacott, Financial Statements Auditors:
 - 18.2.1. Report & Financial Statements (Consolidated Accounts) for year ended 31st July 2022 (*draft in papers*)
 - 18.2.2. Post Audit management report for 2021 2022 including Regularity (draft in papers)
 - 18.2.3. Letter of Representation (in papers)

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING CONCLUDES

AUDIT COMMITTEE and AUDITORS TO LEAVE MEETING

Distribution:

Mr D Navarro

Mr C Uraih

Mr S Ebele Buzzacott

Mrs M Searle

Mrs B Meier Mr G Thompson

Clerk

¹ Financial Management Control Evaluation