

**NUNEATON AND BEDWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

**3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024**

An extraordinary meeting of the Audit & Standards Committee was held on Tuesday, 3 December 2024 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Nuneaton.

**Present**

Councillor J. Bonner – Chair

Councillors: D. Brown (Vice-Chair), T. Cooper, L. Cvetkovic, B. Hancox, J. Hartshorn, W. Markham, K. Price, B. Saru, C. Smith and M. Wright.

Apologies: None

**PART I – PUBLIC BUSINESS**

ASC33 **Declarations of Interest**

**RESOLVED** that the declarations of interest are as set out in the Schedule attached to these minutes.

ASC34 **Statement of Accounts 2022/23 Approval**

A report of the Strategic Director – Corporate Resources and External Auditors (Grant Thornton) provided the final amended version of the 2022/23 Statement of Accounts for approval.

**Public Speakers:**     **Mr P. Smith**  
                                  **Mr K. Kondakor**

**RESOLVED** that

- a) the Audit Opinion on the Statement of Accounts be noted;
- b) delegated authority be given to the Strategic Director – Corporate Resources and Chair of Audit and Standards Committee to sign the Accounts; and
- c) the Letter of Representation be approved as accurate and signed.

ASC35 **Any Other Items**

An extraordinary meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee may be required to take place on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

Chair \_\_\_\_\_

**Audit and Standards –  
Schedule of Declarations of Interests – 2024/2025**

	<b>Name of Councillor</b>	<b>Disclosable Pecuniary Interest</b>	<b>Other Personal Interest</b>	<b>Dispensation</b>
	General dispensations granted to all members under s.33 of the Localism Act 2011			Granted to all members of the Council in the areas of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Housing matters</li> <li>- Statutory sick pay under Part XI of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992</li> <li>- An allowance, payment given to members</li> <li>- An indemnity given to members</li> <li>- Any ceremonial honour given to members</li> <li>- Setting council tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992</li> <li>- Planning and Licensing matters</li> <li>- Allotments</li> <li>- Local Enterprise Partnership</li> </ul>
	J. Bonner	Employed by Etone College (Matrix Academy Trust) - Teacher	The Labour Party (sponsorship) Member of: - The Labour Party - National Education Union	
	D. Brown	Employed by H.M Land Registry	-Regional Coordinator, Ragdoll Rescue Charity. -Trustee of the Exhall Education Foundation Charity	
	T. Cooper			
	L. Cvetkovic	Head of Geography (Teacher), Sidney Stringer Academy, Coventry	The Bulkington Volunteers (Founder); Bulkington Sports and Social Club (Trustee)  Member on the following Outside Bodies: - Building Control Partnership Steering Group	
	B. Hancox		The Labour Party (sponsorship) Member of: - The Labour Party - Unite the Union - British Gurkha Veterans Association (Adviser)  Representative on the following Outside Bodies: - Nuneaton Festival of Arts - Bedworth Neighbourhood Watch Committee - Nicolas Chamberlaine's School Foundation	

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	J. Hartshorn	Employed by Asda Nuneaton	Member of Nuneaton Conservatives	
	W. Markham		Governor at Ash Green School for SEND Member of the following bodies: - Unite Union - Free Speech Union - Exhall Multicultural Group	
	K. Price	Warwickshire County Council	The Labour Party Unite the Union BASW Social Work England Registration	
	B. Saru	- Director – Saru Embroidery Ltd - Co-founder and Owner – Fish Tale Ale Beer	- Labour Party (sponsorship) - Chair of the British Gurkha Veterans Association Representative on the following Outside Bodies: - Armed Forces Covenant	
	C. Smith	Software Engineer – Prophet PLC	- Member of Labour Party and Unite - Safeguarding – Manor Park RFC Representative on the following Outside Bodies: - Astley Charity	
	M. Wright			