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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & FINANCE COMMITTEE – 29 SEPTEMBER 2016
DECISION LIST

AGENDA ITEM NO.	REPORT REF.	ITEM	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
1.	-	Public Question Time		No questions were submitted by members of the public.	
5.	-	Chairman's Announcements		<p>The Chairman made the following announcements:</p> <p><u>Independent Remuneration Panel</u></p> <p>Further to the decision taken at our meeting on 28 July 2016, five Lay people have been recruited to serve on the Independent Remuneration Panel on Members allowances. They met for the first time this week and will formally commence their work from 13 October. All Councillors will be receiving a questionnaire from the IRP in the near future and a cross-section of Councillors will be invited to be interviewed to give their views on allowances directly to the Panel.</p> <p><u>Agenda Item 12 – ARP Joint Committee Minutes</u></p> <p>This item has been withdrawn from the agenda as the Minutes of the Joint Committee meeting on 20 September 2016 have not been received yet. They will be submitted to our next meeting on 1 December.</p>	All to note

6.		External Audit Local Government Sector Update	To receive the Local Government Sector briefing from the Council's External Auditors Ernst and Young.	It was resolved: That the External Audit briefing be noted.	Andy Radford
7.		External Audit – Audit Results Report: ISA 260	To receive the Audit results report for the year ended 31 March 2016.	It was resolved: That the Audit Results Report for the 2015/16 financial statements be noted and the Letter of Representation be approved and signed by the Chief Financial Officer and Chairman.	Andy Radford
8.	R89	Annual Governance Statement 2015/16	To consider the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year 2015/16.	It was resolved: That the Annual Governance Statement for the financial year 2015/16, as set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved and signed by the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council.	Andy Radford/ Trevor Bowd
9.	R90	Annual Financial Report 2015/16	To consider the Annual Financial Report for 2015/16.	It was resolved: That the 2015/16 Annual Financial Report, as set out at Appendix 1 to the submitted report, be approved.	Andy Radford

10.		Members' Code of Conduct Complaints			
(a)	R91	Complaints Procedure Review	To consider instigating a review of the Members' Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure.	It was resolved: That a review of the Members' Code of Conduct Complaints Procedure be instigated and the Monitoring Officer authorised to carry out the necessary consultation, subject to the Chief Executive being authorised, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, to make any amendments to the final version of the proposed letter of consultation to District Council Members, Parish Councils and Independent Persons.	John Hill/Maggie Camp
(b)	R92	Appointment of Co-Opted Town/Parish Council Member, Corporate Governance & Finance Hearings Sub-Committee/Panel	To approve the appointment of a non-voting Co-opted Town/Parish Council Member to the vacancy on the Corporate Governance and Finance Hearings Sub-Committee/Panel to assist with Code of Conduct complaints under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011.	It was resolved: That the following be appointed as a non-voting Co-opted Town/Parish Council Member to serve on the Corporate Governance and Finance Hearings Sub-Committee/Panel to assist with Code of Conduct complaints under the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 until the next District and Parish Council Elections in 2019: Councillor Jo Waters (Little Downham PC)	Maggie Camp/Tracy Couper
11.	R93	Section 106 and CIL: Income and Expenditure Update	To receive an update on Section 106 and CIL income and Expenditure.	It was resolved: That the report be noted.	Emma Grima

12.	-	Anglia Revenues and Benefits Partnership (ARP) Joint Committee Minutes	To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the ARP Joint Committee held on 20 September 2016.	Item withdrawn – to be submitted to 1 December Corporate Governance and Finance Committee.	Andy Radford/ Tracy Couper
13.	-	Forward Agenda Plan	To receive the Forward Agenda Plan for the Committee.	It was resolved: That the Forward Agenda Plan be noted.	Tracy Couper

Please Note: These decisions will come into effect on Wednesday 12 October 2016 unless any 3 Members object and call-in the decision. The call-in must be in writing to the Chief Executive and be received by Thursday 6 October 2016. Recommendations of the Policy Committees to other bodies (or to Council) cannot be called-in, nor can any decisions categorised as urgent in accordance with the call-in procedure.