

Standards and Audit Committee

Wednesday, 17 July 2024 at 7.30 pm

Council Chamber - Civic Centre

Members of the Committee

Councillors: S Jenkins (Chair), M Singh (Vice-Chair), M D Cressey, J Furey, P Gahir, T Gracey, R King, G Moudgil, M Nuti and S Whyte

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AGENDA

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List of matters for consideration

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3. **Apologies for Absence**
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Members are invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable and non-registrable interests in items on the agenda.
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There are no exempt or confidential items on this agenda