

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 JANUARY 2009

DELEGATED MATTERS

PRESENT: Councillor Horne (Chairman) and
Councillors Butler, Nelson-Gracie, Parr and Warner

ALSO PRESENT: Steve Golding and Emily Hill (Audit Commission)

53. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

54. NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

There were no Substitute Members.

55. DISCLOSURES BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no disclosures by Members and Officers.

56. EXEMPT ITEMS

RESOLVED: That the items be taken in public as proposed.

57. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 1 December 2008 be approved as a correct record and signed.

58. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

(1) Strategic and Operational Risk Management – Workforce Planning and Talent Management

The Committee requested that when this information comes back to its next meeting, the information is forwarded to Members in advance of the despatch of the Agenda.

(2) Internal Audit on Parking Enforcement

The Head of Internal Audit and Risk Strategy updated the Committee on the latest position regarding the submission of data to the Northampton County Court and that the actions agreed by the Committee would be followed up due to the failure of the latest attempted electronic submission.

59. USE OF RESOURCES 2007/08

The Committee considered the report of the Management Team setting out the report of the Audit Commission on the Use of Resources Assessment scores for 2008. The Committee received the report and asked a number of questions and

received relevant answers from Steve Golding and Emily Hill of the Audit Commission.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Committee welcomes the Audit Commission for its report of the Use of Resources 2007/08;
- (ii) That the findings within the report be commended to the Cabinet;
- (iii) That all the Officers who worked so hard to achieve these excellent ratings within the report be congratulated and thanked;
- (iv) That Officers be requested to bring to a future meeting of the Committee an outline training programme for improving the performance of the Committee and an outline strategy to meet the expectations of the Commission for continuing improvement.

60. DURATION OF MEETING

6.30 p.m. to 7.04 p.m.