MINUTES of a meeting of the AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE held in the Stenson House, London Road, Coalville, LE67 3FN on WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH 2026

Present: Councillors R Boam, D Cooper, D Everitt, G Rogers, J G Simmons, N Smith, A Wilson and Mr P Montgomery (Independent Member)

In Attendance: Councillor J Legrys

Officers: Ms K Beavis, Mrs A Crouch, Ms K Hiller, Mr P Stone and Mrs C Hammond

External Audit: Ms L Hinsley

60. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

The Head of Legal and Support Services opened the meeting and sought nominations for the election of Chair for the meeting and the rest of the civic year.

Councillor R Boam moved that Councillor J Simmons be elected as Chair for the meeting and the rest of the civic year. It was seconded by Councillor N Smith.

RESOLVED THAT:

Councillor J Simmons be elected as Chair for the meeting and the rest of the civic year.

61. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors P Moult and R Sutton and, Ms E Hutchinson.

62. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

63. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2023/24 AND 2024/25

The Strategic Director for Resources presented the report to the Committee.

It was moved by Councillor R Boam, seconded by Councillor N Smith and

RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Annual Statement of Accounts 2023/24 and 2024/25 as set out in appendix 1 and 2 be approved.

2. That the Chair of the Committee meeting be authorised to sign the Statement of Accounts 2023/24 and 2024/25.

The meeting commenced at 6:30pm

The Chair closed the meeting at 6:37pm