

**NEWRY MOURNE AND DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of Special Audit Committee Meeting held on Friday 15 February 2019  
at 2.15pm in the Mourne Room, Downshire Estate, Downpatrick**

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**Chairperson:** Mr J Campbell, Independent Chairperson

**In Attendance:** **(Committee Members)**  
Councillor P Brown  
Councillor P Byrne  
Councillor C Casey  
Councillor W Clarke  
Councillor L Devlin  
Councillor R Mulgrew  
Councillor M Murnin  
Councillor M Ruane

**Officials in Attendance:** Mr L Hannaway, Chief Executive  
Ms D Carville, Director Corporate Services  
Mr G Byrne, Audit Services Manager  
Miss S Taggart, Democratic Services  
Manager (Acting)

**Also in Attendance:** Ms C Hagan, ASM (Internal Auditors)  
Ms C Kane, Northern Ireland Audit Office

**AC/22/2019: APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

There were no apologies received.

**AC/23/2019: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Ruane advised he was named in the ASM Report as Chair of Council in 2014.

Mr Hannaway, Mrs Carville and Mr Byrne advised they had been named within the ASM Report.

**ITEMS RESTRICTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 1 OF SCHEDULE 6 OF THE  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (NI) 2014**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Murnin, it was agreed to exclude the public and press from the meeting during discussion on the next matters which related to exempt

information by virtue of para. 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government (Northern Ireland) 2014 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be excluded during this item of business.

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Devlin, seconded by Councillor Clarke, it was agreed the Committee come out of closed session and the following actions were agreed:

**AC/24/2019:** **ASM REPORT: INVESTIGATION INTO THE COUNCIL'S PROCUREMENT, AND ERECTION, OF THE 'BIG SCREEN' IN NEWRY**

**Agreed:** When in closed session, it was agreed to note the ASM Report Investigation into Council's procurement and erection of the big screen in Newry on the proposal of Councillor Mulgrew, seconded by Councillor Clarke.

**AC/25/2019:** **VERBAL UPDATE ON FURTHER MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 'BIG SCREEN' REPORT**

**Agreed:** On the proposal of Councillor Mulgrew, seconded by Councillor Clarke, it was agreed to note the verbal update on further matters arising into the 'big screen' report by Director of Corporate Services.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3.46pm

**Signed:** **Ms D Carville**  
**Director of Corporate Services**

**Signed:** **Mr J Campbell**  
**Independent Chairperson**