## Abberton and Langenhoe Parish Council Policy to consider the effectiveness of the internal audit

This policy was agreed at a meeting of the Full Council on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (Min.547/15)

and reviewed and agreed at a meeting of the Full Council on  $7^{th}$  September 2020 (min 061/20) and at a meeting held on  $4^{th}$  October 2021 (Min 104/21) and at a meeting held on  $12^{th}$  December 2022 (Min 157/22)

Next review – December 2023

- 1. Cheque and bank transfer payments list/salaries approved at Full Council
- 2. Cheques signed by two cheque signatories
- 3. Cheque stubs and invoices initialed by cheque signatories
- 4. Salaries calculated using HMRC approved software
- 5. Assets Register reviewed annually
- 6. Financial Regulations reviewed annually
- 7. Standing Orders reviewed as required, but at least annually
- 8. Risk assessments kept up to date
- 9. Bank reconciliation undertaken monthly by a Councillor (not a cheque signatory)
- 10. Where internet banking is used for payments or transfers, 1 cheque signatory to make payment and another signatory to authorise payment.