



NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting:	Audit Committee
Date and Time:	Tuesday 26 March 2024 7.00 pm
Place:	Council Chamber
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Members:	Axam (Chairman), Engström (Vice-Chairman), Blewett, Davies, Hale, Southern and Thomas

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AGENDA

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1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 4 - 6)

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 October 2023 are attached for confirmation and signature as a current record.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence from Members*.

***Note:** Members are asked to email Committee Services in advance of the meeting as soon as they become aware they will be absent.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To declare disclosable pecuniary, and any other, interests*.

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4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

5 EXTERNAL AUDIT (EY) VALUE FOR MONEY REPORT (Pages 7 - 34)

To receive the Council's External Auditors report on the key findings of their value for money work for 2022/23.

6 EXTERNAL AUDIT (EY) PLANNING DOCUMENT 23/24 (Pages 35 - 88)

The purpose of this report is to provide the Audit Committee with the 2023-24 External Audit Planning Report.

7 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT QUARTER 3 2023/24 (Pages 89 - 101)

To review and note the report on the work undertaken by Internal Audit at each of their meetings.

8 INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER 2024/25 (Pages 102 - 114)

To approve the Internal Audit Charter 2024/25, it sets out the purpose, authority and reporting requirements and is approved annually by the Senior Leadership team and Audit Committee.

9 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024/25 (Pages 115 - 124)

To present the Internal Audit Plan for 2024-25 in accordance with the requirements of the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards.

10 GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS TO ADDRESS THE LOCAL AUDIT BACKLOG IN ENGLAND

Members to receive a verbal update on the proposals and discuss the impact on the Committee's work programme.

11 AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 125 - 127)

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