



Audit Agenda

Wednesday 20 March 2024 at 7.30 pm

Conference Room 1 - The Forum

The Councillors listed below are requested to attend the above meeting, on the day and at the time and place stated, to consider the business set out in this agenda.

Membership

Councillor Birnie
Councillor Douris
Councillor Elliot

Councillor S Hobson
Councillor Reynolds (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Stewart (Chair)

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest

A member with a disclosable pecuniary interest or a personal interest in a matter who attends a meeting of the authority at which the matter is considered -

(i) must disclose the interest at the start of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent

and, if the interest is a disclosable pecuniary interest, or a personal interest which is also prejudicial

(ii) may not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter (and must withdraw to the public seating area) unless they have been granted a dispensation.

A member who discloses at a meeting a disclosable pecuniary interest which is not registered in the Members' Register of Interests, or is not the subject of a pending notification, must notify the Monitoring Officer of the interest within 28 days of the disclosure.

Disclosable pecuniary interests, personal and prejudicial interests are defined in Part 2 of the Code of Conduct For Members

[If a member is in any doubt as to whether they have an interest which should be declared they should seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer before the start of the meeting]

3. MINUTES AND ACTIONS (Pages 4 - 6)

To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting and consider the actions

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

An opportunity for members of the public to make statements and ask questions in accordance with the rules as to Public Participation

5. REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT ANNUAL UPDATE (Pages 7 - 40)

6. HOMES ENGLAND COMPLIANCE AUDIT REPORT (Pages 41 - 47)

7. STATEMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL ASSURANCE REPORT (Pages 48 - 89)

8. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024-25 (Pages 90 - 105)

9. EXTERNAL AUDITORS INTERIM ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23 (Pages 106 - 129)

10. INDICATIVE EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2023-24 (Pages 130 - 158)

11. QUESTIONS FROM THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR TO AUDIT COMMITTEE – RISK OF FRAUD (Pages 159 - 161)

12. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER Q3 2023-24 (Pages 162 - 183)

13. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 184 - 185)

14. AOB (ANY OTHER BUSINESS)