

AGENDA

This meeting will be webcast live and the video archive published on our website

Governance and Audit Committee
Tuesday, 21st January, 2025 at 1.00 pm
Council Chamber - The Guildhall

Members: Councillor Stephen Bunney (Chairman)
Councillor David Dobbie (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Baptiste Velan (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor John Barrett
Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway
Councillor Christopher Darcel
Councillor Sabastian Hague
Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence
Alison Adams
Andrew Morriss

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Public Participation Period**
Up to 15 minutes are allowed for public participation.
Participants are restricted to 3 minutes each.
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (PAGES 3 - 8)
To confirm and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting of the Governance and Audit Committee held on 26 November 2024.
4. **Members Declarations of Interest**
Members may make any declarations of interest at this point but may also make them at any point during the meeting.
5. **Matters Arising Schedule** (PAGES 9 - 10)
Matters Arising schedule setting out current position of previously agreed actions as at 13 January 2025.

6. **Public Reports for Consideration**

- i) Q3 Strategic Risk Report (PAGES 11 - 52)
- ii) Annual Governance Statement (PAGES 53 - 64)
- iii) Contract Procedure Rules (TO FOLLOW)
- iv) ISA260 Audit Opinion (PAGES 65 - 106)
- v) Audited Statement of Accounts 2023/2024 (PAGES 107 - 241)
- vi) Draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement 2025-26 (TO FOLLOW)
- vii) Annual External Audit Report (PAGES 242 - 264)
- viii) Internal Audit Progress Report (TO FOLLOW)
- ix) Review of Whistleblowing Activity (PAGES 265 - 268)
- x) Constitution Review - Outcome of the Legal Health Check of the Constitution and Arising Recommendations (TO FOLLOW)
- xi) Committee Work Plan (PAGES 269 - 271)

7. **Exclusion of Public and Press**

To resolve that under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

8. **Exempt Reports for Consideration**

- i) Update on Fraud Risk Assessment and Counter Fraud and Anti-Bribery Work Plan (PAGES 272 - 289)
- ii) Procurement Exceptions (PAGES 290 - 299)

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