

Audit and Governance Committee

Agenda

Date: Thursday, 10th December, 2015
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Committee on any matter relevant to the work of the body in question.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

It is not required to give notice of the intention to make use of public speaking provision, however, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours notice is encouraged.

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4. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 8)
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2015.
5. **External Audit Annual Letter 2014/15** (Pages 9 - 20)
To consider the Annual Audit Letter for 2014/15.
6. **External Audit Certification of Claims and Returns 2014/15** (Pages 21 - 24)
To consider the key findings identified during the External Auditors' certification process for 2014/15 claims and returns.
7. **Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report 2014/15** (Pages 25 - 42)
To consider the draft Annual Report 2014/15 and agree the final version for submission to Council in December.
8. **Draft Treasury Management Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Statement 2016/17** (Pages 43 - 70)
To consider the proposed Treasury Management Strategy and the Minimum Revenue Provision Statement for 2016/17.
9. **Draft Risk Management Policy Statement / Strategy and Outline Framework.** (Pages 71 - 86)
To consider a new draft risk management policy statement and strategy, and an outline of the risk management framework that underpins them.
10. **Annual Governance Statement Update** (Pages 87 - 94)
To note the progress against the issues reported in the 2014/15 Annual Governance Statement (AGS), to consider the process for the production of the Statement for 2015/16, and changes to governance, risk management and audit arrangements.
11. **Internal Audit Interim Report 2015/16 and Internal Audit Charter** (Pages 95 - 120)
To consider progress against the Internal Audit Plan 2015/16, and to approve the updated Internal Audit Charter.

12. **Audit and Governance Committee Self- Assessment** (Pages 121 - 130)

To consider progress in implementing the actions arising from the 2014/15 self-assessment of the Audit and Governance Committee.

13. **Work Plan 2015/16** (Pages 131 - 144)

To consider the Work Plan and determine any required amendments.