

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date and Time:- Thursday 26 September 2024 at 2.00 p.m.

Venue:- Rotherham Town Hall, The Crofts, Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH

Membership:- Councillors Marshall (Chair), Baggaley (Vice-Chair), Blackham, Elliott and McKiernan.

Ms. A. Hutchinson and Mr. M. Olugbenga-Babalola, Independent Members

The items which will be discussed are described on the agenda below and there are reports attached which give more details.

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive the apologies of any Member who is unable to attend the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of items listed on the agenda.

3. Questions from Members of the Public or the Press

To receive questions relating to items of business on the agenda from members of the public or press who are present at the meeting.

4. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To determine whether the following items should be considered under the categories suggested in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended 2006) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for:-

Agenda Item 10 (Internal Audit Progress Report – Appendix C) on the grounds that the appendix involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 7 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime).

Agenda Item 13 (Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate Risk Register) on the grounds that the report involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)).

5. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 30th July, 2024 (Pages 5 - 12)

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 30th July, 2024, as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

6. Update on the Public Service Telephone Network (Pages 13 - 18)

7. Update on Statement of Accounts 2023/24 and Annual Governance Statement (AGS) (Pages 19 - 23)

8. External Audit - Update

9. Quarter 1 2024/25 Treasury Management Update (Pages 25 - 36)

10. Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 37 - 67)

11. Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy, Strategy and Self-assessment against Fighting Fraud and Corruption Locally Checklist (Pages 69 - 116)

12. Audit Committee Forward Work Plan (Pages 117 - 124)

13. Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate Risk Register (Pages 125 - 144)

14. Items for Referral for Scrutiny

To consider the referral of matters for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board.

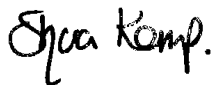
15. Urgent Business

To consider any item which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

16. Date and time of next meeting

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Sharon Kemp OBE,
Chief Executive.