

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date and Time:- **Tuesday 13 January 2026 at 2.00 p.m.**

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

Membership:- **Councillors Baggaley (Chair), Allen (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 11 (Corporate Risk Register – Appendix 1) on the grounds that it 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)).

Agenda Item 12 (Risk Management Directorate Presentation – Finance and Customer Services – Appendix 1) on the grounds that it 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)).

Agenda Item 13 (Risk Management Directorate Presentation - Assistant Chief Executive) on the grounds that it 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)).

Agenda Item 14 (Riverside Building Security and ID Badge Controls – Update) on the grounds that it 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 25th November, 2025 (Pages 5 - 16)

To consider and approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on (insert date) as a true and correct record of the proceedings and to be signed by the Chair.

6. External Auditor - Update

7. Closure of the Accounts 2025/26 (Pages 17 - 42)

8. External Inspections, Reviews and Audits Update (Pages 43 - 67)

9. Section 17 Payments and Reduction in Cash Payments Project (Pages 69 - 73)

10. Audit Committee Forward Work Plan (Pages 75 - 81)

11. Corporate Strategic Risk Register Update (Pages 83 - 100)

12. **Risk Management Directorate Presentation - Finance and Customer Services (Pages 101 - 146)**
13. **Risk Management Presentation - Assistant Chief Executive's Directorate (Pages 147 - 174)**
14. **Progress report on Riverside House Building Security and ID Badge Controls (Pages 175 - 180)**
15. **Items for Referral for Scrutiny**

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

16. **Urgent Business**

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

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on:-

**Tuesday 17 March 2026
commencing at 2.00 p.m.
in Rotherham Town Hall.**



John Edwards,
Chief Executive.