

Tuesday, 14 March 2023

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

A meeting of **Audit Committee** will be held on

**Wednesday, 22 March 2023**

commencing at **2.00 pm**

The meeting will be held in the Meadfoot Room, Town Hall, Castle Circus,  
Torquay, TQ1 3DR

**Members of the Committee**

Councillor Loxton (Chairman)

Councillor Brooks

Councillor Johns

Councillor Douglas-Dunbar

Councillor Kennedy (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Hill

Councillor O'Dwyer

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# AUDIT COMMITTEE AGENDA

1. **Apologies**  
To receive any apologies for absence, including notifications of any changes to the membership of the Committee.
2. **Minutes** (Pages 4 - 10)  
To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 25 January and 6 February 2023.
3. **Declarations of interests**
  - (a) To receive declarations of non pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda  
**For reference:** Having declared their non pecuniary interest members may remain in the meeting and speak and, vote on the matter in question. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.
  - (b) To receive declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on this agenda  
**For reference:** Where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest he/she must leave the meeting during consideration of the item. However, the Member may remain in the meeting to make representations, answer questions or give evidence if the public have a right to do so, but having done so the Member must then immediately leave the meeting, may not vote and must not improperly seek to influence the outcome of the matter. A completed disclosure of interests form should be returned to the Clerk before the conclusion of the meeting.  
  
(**Please Note:** If Members and Officers wish to seek advice on any potential interests they may have, they should contact Governance Support or Legal Services prior to the meeting.)
4. **Urgent Items**  
To consider any other items that the Chairman decides are urgent.
5. **Risk governance process for our integrated Adult Social Care Services** (Pages 11 - 16)  
To note a report that sets out the risk governance process for the Council's integrated Adult Social Care Services.
6. **Internal Audit Plan - Including the Internal Audit Charter and Strategy 2023-24** (Pages 17 - 50)  
To consider a report that sets out the Internal Audit Plan, Internal Audit Charter and Strategy for 2023-24.
7. **Counter Fraud and Corruption Policy Update** (Pages 51 - 79)  
To consider a report that sets out a review of the Council's Counter Fraud and Corruption Policy.

**8. HR Investigations and Whistleblow**

(Pages 80 - 82)

To consider a report that provides a high-level summary of the number of HR investigations and Whistleblow investigations.

**Meeting Attendance**

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If you have symptoms, including runny nose, sore throat, fever, new continuous cough and loss of taste and smell please do not come to the meeting.