

Tuesday, 16 January 2024

AUDIT COMMITTEE

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

Wednesday, 24 January 2024

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 Penny (Chairman)

Councillor Brook (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Steve Darling

Councillor Fellows

Councillor Hutchings

Councillor Long

Councillor Maddison

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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 - 7)
To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 13 December 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. **Internal Audit - Half Year Report including the outcomes of the Follow Up on Areas Requiring Improvement** (Pages 8 - 33)
To consider a report that sets out the background to audit service provision; any updates to the agreed Internal Audit Plan; a review of work undertaken to date in 2023/24 and provides Internal Audits current opinion on the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the Authority's internal control environment.
6. **Treasury Management Strategy 2024/25** (Pages 34 - 69)
To consider a report on the Treasury Management Strategy 2024/25.

7. **Counter Fraud and Error Update** (Pages 70 - 74)
To note the counter fraud and error update.
8. **Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) Update** (Pages 75 - 76)
To note a report that sets out an update on the Council's use of the
Regulatory of Investigatory Powers Act.