Tuesday, 19 November 2024

AUDIT COMMITTEE

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

Wednesday, 27 November 2024

commencing at 10.00 am

The meeting will be held in the Banking Hall, Castle Circus entrance on the left corner of the Town Hall, Castle Circus, Torquay, TQ1 3DR

Members of the Committee

Councillor Brook (Chairman)

Councillor Fellows (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Hutchings

Councillor Long

Councillor Maddison
Councillor Penny

Independent Person Mr Kristian Hawkes

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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 5 - 12)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 27 July 2024.

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. LGA Corporate Peer Challenge - Progress Update

To consider a report that provides an update on the progress made on implementing the Local Government Association (LGA) Corporate Peer Challenge Action Plan.

(Pages 13 - 32)

6. 2022/23 Torbay Council Audit Findings Report and Progress Report (Grant Thornton)

To consider a report on the above.

7. 2022/23 Statement of Accounts including Annual Governance Statement

To consider a report on the above.

8.	2024/25 Treasury Management Mid-Year Review To consider a report that sets out a review of Treasury Management activities during the first part of 2024/25.	(Pages 33 - 54)
9.	Review of Section 106 and CiL Audit Report To consider a report that provides an update on the progress towards addressing the risks outlined in the Internal Audit Report on Section 106 and CiL and give a general understanding of what changes have been made.	(Pages 55 - 84)
10.	Audit Committee Self Assessment (CIPFA Guidance) 2024-25 To consider the report on the above.	(Pages 85 - 90)
11.	Public Sector Audit Appointments (PSAA) Framework for External Audit To consider a report that provides details of the request from the Overview and Scrutiny Board that the Audit Committee review the PSAA framework for External Audit and explore future options.	(Pages 91 - 98)
12.	Work Plan 2024/2025 To note the Audit Committee's work plan for the remainder of the 2024/2025 Municipal Year.	(Pages 99 - 100)