

Audit and Governance Committee

Members are asked to attend a private training session at 6 pm in the Civic Suite immediately before the meeting

Meeting: Monday, 17th March 2014 at 6.30 pm in Civic Suite, North Warehouse, The Docks, Gloucester, GL1 2EP

Membership:	Cllrs. Wilson (Chair), Hobbs (Vice-Chair), McLellan, Noakes, Llewellyn, Porter and Gilson
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AGENDA		
1.	APOLOGIES	
	To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive from Members, declarations of the existence of any disclosable pecuniary, or non-pecuniary, interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item. Please see Agenda Notes.	
3.	MINUTES (Pages 7 - 18)	
	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 25 November 2013.	
4.	MINUTES OF SPECIAL AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (Pages 19 - 20)	
	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the special meeting held on 27 January 2014.	

5.	PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (15 MINUTES)	
	To receive any questions from members of the public provided that a question does not relate to:	
	 Matters which are the subject of current or pending legal proceedings, or Matters relating to employees or former employees of the Council or comments in respect of individual Council Officers 	
6.	PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS (15 MINUTES)	
	To receive any petitions and deputations provided that no such petition is in relation to:	
	 Matters relating to individual Council Officers, or Matters relating to current or pending legal proceedings 	
7.	RESPONSE TO INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS - RESPONSE REPAIRS CONTRACT	
	To receive the report of the Asset Manager, as requested by the Committee, relating to the implementation of agreed internal audit recommendations.	
	Please note that this document will be published as a separate supplement to the agenda when it is available.	
8.	STREETCARE MONITORING SHEET MARCH 2014 (Pages 21 - 30)	
	To receive the Streetcare Contract Monitoring sheet provided by the Head of Neighbourhood Services, as requested by the Committee, relating to the implementation of agreed internal audit recommendations.	
9.	AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN (Pages 31 - 34)	
	To consider the Action Plan.	
10.	KPMG CERTIFICATION OF GRANTS AND RETURNS 2012/13 (Pages 35 - 42)	
	To receive the report of Darren Gilbert, KPMG.	
11.	EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2013/14 (Pages 43 - 72)	
	To receive the report of Darren Gilbert, KPMG.	
12.	BUDGET MONITORING - MONTH 9	
	To receive the report of the Director of Resources which informs Members of the predicted	

	year-end financial position based on an analysis of the year to date.
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13.	TREASURY MANAGEMENT UPDATE - QUARTER 3 REPORT 2013/14 (Pages 73 - 88)
	To receive the report of the Director of Resources which updates Members on treasury management activities for the period 1 October 2013 to 31 December 2013.
14.	TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 2014/15 (Pages 89 - 122)
	To receive the report of the Prudential Indicators and Treasury activities.
15.	INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN - 2013/14 MONITORING REPORT (Pages 123 - 134)
	To receive the report of the Audit, Risk and Assurance Manager which informs Members of the audits completed as part of the approved Internal Audit Plan 2013/14.
16.	INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2014/15 (Pages 135 - 142)
	To receive the report of the Audit, Risk and Assurance Manager which presents to Members for their consideration and approval, the Internal Audit Plan 2014/15.
17.	UPDATE ON PEER REVIEW
	To receive the report of the Chief Executive.
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18.	REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (Pages 143 - 158)
	To receive the report of the Head of Legal and Policy Development which sets out proposed revisions to the Terms of Reference for the Committee.
19.	REVIEW OF FREQUENCY OF AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS
	To receive the report of the Audit, Risk and Assurance Manager which looks at the current frequency of Audit and Governance Committee meetings and makes recommendations for the frequency of future meetings.
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20.	AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 159 - 162)	
	To consider the Committee's Work Programme.	
21.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	

Julian Wain Chief Executive

Date of Publication: Friday, 7 March 2014

NOTES

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

The duties to register, disclose and not to participate in respect of any matter in which a member has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest are set out in Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

Disclosable pecuniary interests are defined in the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012 as follows –

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<u>Interest</u>	Prescribed description			
Employment, office, trade, profession or vocation	Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain.			
Sponsorship	Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from the Council) made or provided within the previous 12 months (up to and including the date of notification of the interest) in respect of any expenses incurred by you carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses. This includes any payment or financial benefit from a trade union within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.			
Contracts	Any contract which is made between you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (or a body in which you or they have a beneficial interest) and the Council (a) under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and (b) which has not been fully discharged			
Land	Any beneficial interest in land which is within the Council's area.			
	For this purpose "land" includes an easement, servitude, interest or right in or over land which does not carry with it a right for you, your spouse, civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner (alone or jointly with another) to occupy the land or to receive income.			
Licences	Any licence (alone or jointly with others) to occupy land in the Council's area for a month or longer.			
Corporate tenancies	Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) –			
	 (a) the landlord is the Council; and (b) the tenant is a body in which you, your spouse or civil partner or a person you are living with as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest 			
Securities	Any beneficial interest in securities of a body where –			
	(a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the Council's area and			
	(b) either –			

- The total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or
- ii. If the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.

For this purpose, "securities" means shares, debentures, debenture stock, loan stock, bonds, units of a collective investment scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and other securities of any description, other than money deposited with a building society.

NOTE: the requirements in respect of the registration and disclosure of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and withdrawing from participating in respect of any matter where you have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest apply to your interests and those of your spouse or civil partner or person with whom you are living as a spouse or civil partner where you are aware of their interest.

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