



Audit Committee

Date: Thursday 9 December 2010

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Room 11, Level 1, Town Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend this committee meeting.

There is a private meeting for Members at 9.30 pm in Committee Room 11.

Membership of the Audit Committee

Councillors -

R Akbar, H Barrett, M Clayton, P Morrison, D. Sandiford, N Swannick, A Trotman, S Wheale, M Watson (Chair)

Independent Co-opted Members -

Mr S Downs, Mr J Tench

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2	Appeals To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.	
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Information about the Committee

The Committee is responsible for approving the Authority's statement of accounts; considering the Audit Commission's Annual Audit and Inspection Letter and monitoring the Council's response to individual issues of concern identified in it. The Committee also considers the Council's annual review of the effectiveness of its systems of internal control and assurance over the Council's corporate governance and risk management arrangements, and engages with the external auditor and external inspection agencies to ensure that there are effective relationships between external and internal audit.

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The Council is concerned to ensure that its meetings are as open as possible and confidential business is kept to the strict minimum. When confidential items are involved these are considered at the end of the meeting at which point members of the public are asked to leave.

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