



Audit Committee

Date: Thursday 24th September 2009
 Time: 10.30am
 Venue: Committee Room 11 Level 1, Town Hall,
 Albert Square, Manchester. M60 2LA

There will be a private meeting for Members only at 10.00am in Committee Room 11

Everybody is welcome to attend Council and Committee meetings in Manchester. The Audit Committee comprises eight councillors and two independent co-opted members –

Councillor Clayton	Councillor Isherwood	Councillor Morrison	Councillor Lomax
Councillor Swannick	Councillor Trotman	Councillor Wheale	Councillor Watson
Mr Andrew Caldwell, Co-opted Member		Mr John Tench, Co-opted Member	

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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1.	Urgent Business To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.		
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.		
3.	Interests To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest, then in addition to declaring it, they must also withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.		
4.	Minutes To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 th June 2009.		
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To note that a presentation/training session has been arranged for members with Richard Bason of Sector Treasury Management on Tuesday 17 November 10:00 - 12:00 in Committee Room 11 | - | - |