

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Date and Time **THURSDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2012 AT 2.15 PM**

Place **THE WELLINGTON ROOM, ELIZABETH II COURT (SOUTH),
THE CASTLE, WINCHESTER**

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AGENDA

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members who believe they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in any matter to be considered at the meeting must declare that interest and, having regard to the circumstances described in Part 3 Paragraph 1.5 of the County Council's Members' Code of Conduct, leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with Paragraph 1.6 of the Code. Furthermore all Members with a Non-Pecuniary interest in a matter being considered at the meeting should consider whether such interest should be declared, and having regard to Part 5, Paragraph 2 of the Code, consider whether it is appropriate to leave the meeting while the matter is discussed, save for exercising any right to speak in accordance with the Code.

3 MINUTES

To confirm the Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 28 June 2012.

4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

To receive any announcements the Chairman may wish to make.

5 A TOOLKIT FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY AUDIT COMMITTEE - SELF ASSESSMENT

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources seeking approval to the assessment and proposed action plan of the Audit sub group against the 'toolkit for local authority audit committees'.

6 THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROCESS OF INTERNAL AUDIT

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources summarising the measures currently in place to monitor internal audit effectiveness, which is required under the Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011.

7 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources outlining the internal audit activity against assurance work completed, in accordance with the approved audit plan.

8 INFORMATION COMPLIANCE - USE OF REGULATED INVESTIGATORY POWERS

To consider a report of the Director of Policy and Governance providing information on how the County Council uses its investigatory powers in a lawful and proportionate way.

9 (a) ANNUAL GOVERNANCE REPORT

To consider the Annual Governance Report from the Audit Commission.

(b) DRAFT ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER

To consider the draft annual audit letter from the District Auditor

10 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS – 2011/12

To consider a report of the Director of Corporate Resources seeking approval to the Statement of Accounts 2011/12.

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