

Shropshire Council Legal and Democratic Services Shirehall Abbey Foregate Shrewsbury SY2 6ND

Date: Friday, 13 February 2015

My Ref: Your Ref:

Committee:
Audit Committee

Date: Monday, 23 February 2015

Time: 9.30 am

Venue: Shrewsbury Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury,

Shropshire, SY2 6ND

You are requested to attend the above meeting. The Agenda is attached

Claire Porter

Corporate Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Audit Committee

Brian Williams (Chairman)
Michael Wood (Vice Chairman)
John Cadwallader

Chris Mellings Mansel Williams

Your Committee Officer is:

Liz Sidaway Committee Officer

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence / Notification of Substitutes

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 27 November 2014 and the 10 February 2015 (Pages 1 - 6)

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 27 November 2014 and the 10th February 2015 are attached for confirmation. Contact Liz Sidaway (01743) 252885

4 Public Questions

To receive any questions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14.

5 Reviewing the Audit Plan (Pages 7 - 20)

To receive a briefing / training update from the Audit Service Manager. Contact: Ceri Pilawski 01743 252027

6 Benefit Fraud Investigations - Performance Monitoring Report (Pages 21 - 24)

The report of the Team Manager - Investigations is attached. Contact: Jessica Taylor 01743 256100

7 Treasury Strategy 2015/16 (Pages 25 - 70)

The report of the Head of Finance, Governance and Assurance (Section 151) is attached.

Contact: James Walton 01743 255011

8 Internal Audit Report of the Review of Risk Management Audit 2014/15 (Pages 71 - 74)

The report of the Engagement Auditor is attached. Contact: Peter Chadderton 01743 252773

9 Review of the Audit Committee's Annual Work Plan and Future Learning and Training Requirements 2014/15 (Pages 75 - 82)

The report of the Audit Service Manager is attached.

Contact: Ceri Pilawski 01743 252027

10 External Audit: Audit Committee Update for Shropshire Council (Pages 83 - 96)

The report of the District Auditor is attached.

Contact: Jon Roberts 0121 232 5383

11 External Audit: Certification Summary Reports 2013/14 including Housing Benefit (Pages 97 - 110)

The report of the External Auditor is attached.

Contact: Jon Roberts 0121 232 5383

12 External Audit: Plan 2014/15 (Pages 111 - 128)

The report of the District Auditor is attached.

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13 External Audit: Informing the Audit Risk Assessment for Shropshire Council (Pages 129 - 148)

The report of the District Auditor is attached.

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14 Draft Internal Audit Risk Based Plan 2015/16 (Pages 149 - 164)

The report of the Audit Service Manager is attached.

Contact: Ceri Pilawski 01743 252027

15 Internal Audit Plan 2014/15 - Ten Month Plan Report (Pages 165 - 176)

The report of the Audit Services Manager is attached.

Contact Ceri Pilawski 01743 252027

16 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on the 25 June 2015 at 9.30 am.

17 Exclusion of Press and Public

To RESOLVE that in accordance with the provision of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, Section 5 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrnagements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations and Paragraphs 2, 3 and 7 of the Council's Access to Information Rules, the public

and press be excluded during consideration of the following items.

18 Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 10 February 2015

The exempt minutes of the meeting held on the 10th February 2015 will follow. Contact: Sarah Townsend 01743 252803

19 Fraud, Special Investigation and RIPA Update February 2015 (Pages 177 - 180)

The report of the Engagement Auditor is attached.

Contact: Katie Williams (01743) 252087