

Shropshire Council
Legal and Democratic Services
Guildhall,
Frankwell Quay,
Shrewsbury
SY3 8HQ

Date: 18 June 2025
My Ref:
Your Ref:

Committee:
Audit Committee

Date: Thursday, 26 June 2025
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Council Chamber, Guildhall, Frankwell Quay, Shrewsbury SY3 8HQ

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

There will be some access to the meeting room for members of the press and public, but this will be limited. If you wish to attend the meeting please email democracy@shropshire.gov.uk to check that a seat will be available for you.

Please click [here](#) to view the livestream of the meeting on the date and time stated on the agenda

The recording of the event will also be made available shortly after the meeting on the Shropshire Council Youtube Channel [Here](#)

Tim Collard
Assistant Director – Legal and Governance

Members of Audit Committee

Kate Halliday
Duncan Kerr
Carl Rowley

Rhys Gratton
Malcolm Myles-Hook

Independent Member: Jim Arnold

Your Committee Officer is:

Michelle Dulson Committee Officer
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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence / Notification of Substitutes

2 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Members are reminded that they must declare their disclosable pecuniary interests and other registrable or non-registrable interests in any matter being considered at the meeting as set out in Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct and consider if they should leave the room prior to the item being considered. Further advice can be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting.

3 Minutes of the previous meetings held on the 6 February 2025 and 22 May 2025 (Pages 1 - 16)

The Minutes of the meetings held on the 6 February 2025 and 22 May 2025 are attached for confirmation.

Contact Michelle Dulson (01743) 257719

4 Public Questions

To receive any questions from the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14. The deadline for this meeting is 12noon on Friday 20th June 2025.

5 Member Questions

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6 First line assurance: NWRR Management Update (Pages 17 - 24)

The report of the Assistant Director of Growth and Infrastructure is attached.

Contact: Andy Wilde (01743) 256401

7 First line assurance: Internal Audit Resource Update (Pages 25 - 28)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.

Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

8 Third line assurance: Internal Audit Performance Report (Pages 29 - 44)

The report of the Head of Policy and Governance is attached.

Contact: Barry Hanson 07990 086409

9 Third line assurance: Internal Audit Annual Report 2024/25 (Pages 45 - 70)

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10 Overall assurance: Annual Governance Statement and Code of Corporate Governance 2024/25 (Pages 71 - 148)

The report of the Section 151 Officer is attached.
Contact: James Walton (01743) 258915

11 Third line assurance: External Audit, Audit Plan

The report of the Engagement Lead is to follow.
Contact: Avtar S Sohal (0121) 232 6420

12 First line assurance: Customer Journey Project Management Update (Pages 149 - 154)

The report of the Executive Director of Health is attached.
Contact: Rachel Robinson (01743) 258918

13 Second line assurance: Risk Annual Report (Pages 155 - 166)

The Report of the Assistant Director of Transformation and Efficiency is attached.
Contact: Billy Webster (billy.webster@shropshire.gov.uk)

14 First line assurance: Short Breaks Service Management Update (Pages 167 - 174)

The report of the Service Manager for Commissioning is attached.
Contact: Lesley Brown (01743) 254276

15 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on the 16 July 2025 at 10.00 am.

16 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 Arrangements)(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.

17 Exempt Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 6 February 2025 (Pages 175 - 176)

The Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on the 6 February 2025 are attached for confirmation.
Contact Michelle Dulson (01743) 257719

18 Third line assurance: Contract Rules Exemptions Update (Exempted by Categories 1,2,3 and 7) (Pages 177 - 194)

The report of the Assistant Director of Legal and Governance is attached.
Contact: Tim Collard (01743) 252756