

11 July 2023

Committee	Audit and Governance Committee	
Date	Wednesday, 19 July 2023	
Time of Meeting	2:00 pm	
Venue	Tewkesbury Borough Council Offices, Severn Room	

# ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE REQUESTED TO ATTEND

Agenda

# 1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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# 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

To receive apologies for absence and advise of any substitutions.

#### 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to the adoption by the Council on 24 January 2023 of the Tewkesbury Borough Council Code of Conduct, effective from 1 February 2023, as set out in Minute No. CL.72, Members are invited to declare any interest they may have in the business set out on the Agenda to which the approved Code applies.

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4.	MINUTES	1 - 11
	To approve the Minutes of the meetings held on 23 March and 17 May 2023.	
5.	AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME	12 - 19
	To consider the Audit and Governance Committee Work Programme.	
6.	EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S AUDIT PLAN 2022/23	20 - 39
	To consider the external auditor's Audit Plan 2022/23.	
7.	INFORMING THE RISK ASSESSMENT	40 - 72
	To consider the external auditor's report on informing the risk assessment.	
8.	CORPORATE RISK REGISTER	73 - 91
	To consider the risks contained within the corporate risk register and assurance that the risks are being effectively managed.	
9.	COUNTER FRAUD AND ENFORCEMENT UNIT REPORT	92 - 102
	To consider the annual update on the work of the Counter Fraud and Enforcement Unit.	
10.	ANNUAL HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT	103 - 116
	To consider the annual report on the Council's health and safety arrangements.	
11.	DATA PROTECTION OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT	117 - 127
	To receive the annual report on actions undertaken during the year and to consider the action plan, attached at Appendix 1 to the report, to further improve the Council's GDPR arrangements.	
12.	INTERNAL AUDIT QUALITY ASSURANCE AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME	128 - 135
	To consider the 2023/24 Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme.	
13.	INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN MONITORING REPORT	136 - 175
	To consider the internal audit work undertaken and the assurance given on the adequacy of internal controls operating in the systems audited.	
14.	INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23	176 - 181
	To consider the internal audit annual opinion and the assurance from the work undertaken during the year that, overall, the Council's governance, risk management and control environment for the areas audited is generally effective.	

# DATE OF NEXT MEETING

## WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2023

# **COUNCILLORS CONSTITUTING COMMITTEE**

Councillors: H J Bowman, S R Dove (Vice-Chair), D W Gray, E J MacTiernan, P D McLain, J P Mills, P E Smith, R J G Smith and M R Stewart (Chair)

## Substitution Arrangements

The Council has a substitution procedure and any substitutions will be announced at the beginning of the meeting.

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