



**North Ayrshire Council**  
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

## **Audit and Scrutiny Committee**

A Special Meeting of the **Audit and Scrutiny Committee** of North Ayrshire Council will be held in the **Council Chambers, Ground Floor, Cunninghame House, Irvine, KA12 8EE** on **Tuesday, 27 September 2022** at **10:00** to consider the undernoted business.

### **Meeting Arrangements - Hybrid Meetings**

This meeting will be held on a predominantly physical basis but with provision, by prior notification, for remote attendance by Elected Members in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2003. Where possible, the meeting will be live-streamed and available to view at <https://north-ayrshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>.

#### **1 Declarations of Interest**

Members are requested to give notice of any declarations of interest in respect of items of business on the Agenda.

#### **2 Minutes**

The accuracy of the Minutes of (i) the Ordinary Meeting of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee held on 31 May 2022; and (ii) the Special Meeting held on 30 June 2022 will be confirmed and the Minutes signed in accordance with Paragraph 7 (1) of Schedule 7 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (copy enclosed).

#### **3 External Quality Assessment of Internal Audit by West Dunbartonshire Council**

Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the findings of the recent external review of Internal Audit carried out by West Dunbartonshire Council (copy enclosed).

- 4      Accounts Commission's Report: Local Government in Scotland: Overview 2022**  
Submit a report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the findings of the Local Government in Scotland Overview 2022 report by the Accounts Commission (copy enclosed).
- 5      Internal Audit Annual Update Report: North Ayrshire Integration Joint Board (IJB)**  
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the IJBs Annual Report for 2021/22 and the approved internal audit plan for 2022/23 (copy enclosed).
- 6      Strategic Risk Register 2022/23**  
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the Council's agreed Strategic Risk Register for 2022/23 (copy enclosed).
- 7      Internal Audit and Corporate Fraud Action Plans: Quarter 1 Update**  
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the progress made by Council Services in implementing the agreed actions from Internal Audit and Corporate Fraud reports as at 30 June 2022 (copy enclosed).
- 8      Internal Audit Plan 2022/23: Mid-Year Update**  
Submit report by Head of Service (Finance) on progress made in delivering the 2022/23 Internal Audit Plan (copy enclosed).
- 9      Internal Audit Reports Issued**  
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the findings of Internal Audit work completed between May and August 2022 (copy enclosed).
- 10     Counter Fraud and Corruption Strategy**  
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the refresh of the Council's Counter Fraud and Corruption Strategy (copy enclosed).
- 11     Annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator 2021/22**  
Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on the Council's Annual Return on the Charter 2021/22 submission and on endorsement of the Annual Assurance Statement for submission to the Scottish Housing Regulator (copy enclosed).
- 12     Urgent Items**  
Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.

**13 Exclusion of the Public - Para 1**

Resolve in terms of Section 50(A)4 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude from the Meeting the press and the public for the following item of business on the grounds indicated in terms of Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

**Non Disclosure of Information**

In terms of Standing Order 21 (Disclosure of Information), the information contained within the following report is confidential information within the meaning of Section 50A of the 1973 Act and shall not be disclosed to any person by any Member or Officer.

**14 Investigation Reports Issued**

Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on investigation reports finalised since the last meeting (copy enclosed).

**15 Internal Audit and Corporate Fraud Action Plans: Quarter 1 Update (exempted items)**

Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the progress made by Council Services in implementing the agreed actions from Internal Audit and Corporate Fraud reports as at 30 June 2022 (copy enclosed).

**Webcasting**

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John Bell (Chair)  
Donald Reid (Vice Chair)  
Eleanor Collier  
Cameron Inglis  
Tom Marshall  
Matthew McLean  
Davina McTiernan  
Ian Murdoch  
John Sweeney

Chair:

Apologies:

Attending: