



North Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Àir a Tuath

Audit and Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the **Audit and Scrutiny Committee** of North Ayrshire Council will be held remotely on **Tuesday, 05 September 2023** at **10:00** to consider the undernoted business.

Meeting Arrangements - Fully Remote

This meeting will be held remotely 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>. In the event that live-streaming is not possible, a recording of the meeting will instead be available to view at this location.

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 30 May 2023; and (ii) the Special Meeting held on 27 June 2023 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 Annual Assurance Statement to the Scottish Housing Regulator 2022/23

Submit report by the Executive Director (Place) on the Council's Annual Return of the Charter 2022/23 submission and requesting endorsement of the Annual Assurance Statement to be submitted to the Scottish Housing Regulator (copy enclosed).

- 4 North Ayrshire HSCP - Internal Control Review**
Submit report by the Director, North Ayrshire HSCP on the recent work which has been undertaken to strengthen the internal control environment of the Health and Social Care Partnership (copy enclosed).
- 5 Accounts Commission's Report: Local Government in Scotland: Overview 2023**
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the findings of the recently published report (copy enclosed).
- 6 Internal Audit Reports Issued**
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on the findings of Internal Audit work completed between May and August 2023 (copy enclosed).
- 7 Internal Audit and Corporate Fraud Actions 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 2023 (copy enclosed).
- 8 Urgent Items**
Any other items which the Chair considers to be urgent.
- 9 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.

- 10 Investigation Reports Issued**
Submit report by the Head of Service (Finance) on investigation reports finalised since the last meeting (copy enclosed).

Webcasting

Please note: this meeting may be filmed/recorded/live-streamed to the Council's internet site and available to view at <https://north-ayrshire.public-i.tv/core/portal/home>, where it will be capable of repeated viewing. At the start of the meeting, the Provost/Chair will confirm if all or part of the meeting is being filmed/recorded/live-streamed.

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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: