

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 12th November, 2024

2.00 pm

**Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall,
Maidstone**





AGENDA

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Hall, Maidstone

Ask for: **Ruth Emberley**
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Membership (13)

Conservative (8)	Conservative (7)	Mrs R Binks (Chairman), Mr T Bond, Mr N J D Chard, Mr P C Cooper, Mr O Richardson, Mr S Webb and Vacancy
	Independent (1)	Mr M Whiting
Labour (1)		Mr A Brady
Liberal Democrat (1):		Mr C Passmore (Vice-Chairman)
Green and Independent (1)		Mr M A J Hood
Independent Members (2)		Ms C Black and Dr D A Horne

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

1. Introduction/Webcasting
2. Apologies and Substitutes
3. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda for this meeting
4. Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2024 (Pages 1 - 14)
5. Verbal Update on Committee Business

6. Verbal Update on Corporate Risk Register
7. Annual Governance Statement
To Follow.
8. Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 15 - 40)
9. Counter Fraud Progress Report (Pages 41 - 72)
10. Covert Enforcement Techniques (Pages 73 - 92)
11. External Audit Progress Report and Sector Update (Pages 93 - 104)
12. Other items which the Chairman decides are urgent

Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

EXEMPT ITEMS

13. Internal Audit Progress Report - Exempt Report (Pages 105 - 110)
14. Counter Fraud Progress Report - Exempt Report (Pages 111 - 112)
15. Update from the Commercial and Procurement Oversight Board (Pages 113 - 124)
16. Legal Update
To Follow.

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Wednesday, 16 October 2024

Please note that any background documents referred to in the accompanying papers maybe inspected by arrangement with the officer responsible for preparing the relevant report.