

# **GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, 3rd July, 2025**

**10.00 am**

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







## **AGENDA**

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**Hall, Maidstone**

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

Reform UK (8)

Mr M Brown, Mr A Cecil, Mr R  
Palmer, Mr M Paul, Ms I Kemp, Mr O  
Bradshaw, Mr J Finch and Mr A  
Kibble

Liberal Democrat (2)

Mr M Munday and Mr G R Samme

Conservative (1)

Mr H Rayner

Green (1)

Mr M Hood

Labour (1)

Mr A Brady

Independent Members (2)

Ms C Black and Dr D Horne

#### **UNRESTRICTED ITEMS**

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

1. Introduction/Webcasting
2. Election of Chair
3. Election of Vice-Chair
4. Apologies and Substitutes
5. Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda for this meeting

6. Minutes of meeting held on the 20 March 2025 (Pages 1 - 12)
7. Roles and Responsibilities of External Audit - Visual Presentation Item (*no papers*)
8. 2024/2025 External Audit Plan for Kent County Council (Pages 13 - 68)
9. 2024/2025 External Audit Plan for Kent Pension Fund (Pages 69 - 108)
10. Corporate Risk Register (Pages 109 - 166)
11. Update on the preparation of the Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 (Pages 167 - 168)
12. Counter Fraud Annual Report 2024-25 (Pages 169 - 204)
13. Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 205 - 250)
14. Internal Audit Plan 2025-26 (Pages 251 - 278)
15. Commercial and Procurement Oversight Board Update Report - *To Follow*
16. Treasury Update Report (Pages 279 - 298)

#### **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**

17. Counter Fraud Progress Report 2024-25 - Exempt (Pages 299 - 300)
18. Internal Audit Progress Report - Exempt (Pages 301 - 308)

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**Wednesday, 25 June 2025**

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