

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 24th September, 2025

10.00 am

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





AGENDA

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Ask for: Ruth Emberley

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Membership (15)

Reform (8):	Mr M Brown (Chairman), Mr A Cecil, Mr R Palmer, Mr M Paul (Vice-Chair), 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
Labour (1):	Mr A Brady
Green (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 3 July 2025 (Pages 1 - 16)
5. Verbal Update on Committee Business (Pages 17 - 32)
6. Draft Annual Governance Statement (Pages 33 - 56)
7. Lessons from 2023 / 2024 External Auditor's Annual Report (Pages 57 - 88)
8. External Auditor's Progress Report (Pages 89 - 116)
9. 2024/2025 Kent County Council Auditor's Annual Report (Pages 117 - 168)
10. 2024/2025 External Audit Findings Report for Kent Pension Fund (Pages 169 - 260)
11. Independent Member - Term of Office (Pages 261 - 262)
12. Internal Audit Progress Report - To Follow
13. Internal Audit Annual Report - To Follow
14. Covert Enforcement Techniques (Pages 263 - 282)

EXEMPT ITEMS

(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)

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Tuesday, 16 September 2025

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.