

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 14th September, 2023

2.00 pm

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





AGENDA

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Ask for: **Katy Reynolds**
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Membership (12)

Conservative (8)	Mrs R Binks (Chairman), Mr D L Brazier, Mr N J D Chard, Mr P C Cooper, Mrs S Hudson, Mr D Robey, Mr D Ross and Mr R J Thomas
Labour (1)	Mr A Brady
Liberal Democrat (1):	Mr A J Hook
Green and Independent (1)	Mr M A J Hood
Independent Member (1)	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 6 July 2023 (Pages 1 - 6)
5. Election of Vice-Chair
6. External Audit Plan 2022/23 (Pages 7 - 40)
7. External Audit Progress Report and Sector Update (Pages 41 - 54)
8. Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 55 - 96)

9. Internal Audit Annual Opinion (Pages 97 - 146)
10. Audit Risk Assessment (Pages 147 - 184)
11. Annual Governance Statement Update
12. Other items which the Chairman decides are urgent

EXEMPT ITEMS

Motion to exclude the press and public for exempt business

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 paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

Paragraph 3 – Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

13. Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 185 - 192)

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Wednesday, 6 September 2023

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.