

Audit, Governance and Standards Committee

Wednesday 9 September 2020
6.30 pm

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Councillor James McAsh (Chair)
Councillor Humaira Ali
Councillor Dora Dixon-Fyle MBE
Councillor Nick Dolezal
Councillor Tom Flynn
Councillor Andy Simmons
Councillor Dan Whitehead

Reserves

Councillor Sarah King
Councillor Lorraine Lauder MBE
Councillor Hamish McCallum
Councillor Jason Ochere
Councillor Bill Williams

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Members of the committee are summoned to attend this meeting

Eleanor Kelly

Chief Executive

Date: 1 September 2020



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	<p>The chair would like to remind members that prior to the meeting they have the opportunity to inform officers of particular areas of interest relating to reports on the agenda, in order for officers to undertake preparatory work to address matters that may arise during debate.</p>	
1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	
	To receive any apologies for absence.	
2.	CONFIRMATION OF VOTING MEMBERS	
	A representative of each political group will confirm the voting members of the committee.	
3.	NOTIFICATION OF ANY ITEMS OF BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIR DEEMS URGENT	
	In special circumstances, an item of business may be added to an agenda within five clear days of the meeting.	
4.	DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS	
	Members to declare any personal interests and dispensation in respect of any item of business to be considered at this meeting.	
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	To approve as a correct record the minutes of the open section of the meeting held on 20 July 2020.	

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	Caroline Bruce, strategic director of environment and leisure, to talk about the department's governance arrangements.	
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	The external auditors will present a verbal update of their work on the annual audit for 2019-20.	
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ANY OTHER OPEN BUSINESS AS NOTIFIED AT THE START OF THE MEETING AND ACCEPTED BY THE CHAIR AS URGENT

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The following motion should be moved, seconded and approved if the sub-committee wishes to exclude the press and public to deal with reports revealing exempt information:

“That the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1-7, Access to Information Procedure rules of the Constitution.”

PART B - CLOSED BUSINESS