

Mid Devon District Council

Audit Committee

Tuesday, 27 August 2019 at 5.30 pm
Exe Room, Phoenix House, Tiverton

Next ordinary meeting
Tuesday, 8 October 2019 at 5.30 pm

Those attending are advised that this meeting will be recorded

Membership

Cllr R Evans
Cllr Mrs C Collis
Cllr B A Moore
Cllr D F Pugsley
Cllr A Wilce
Cllr J Wright
Cllr A Wyer

A G E N D A

Members are reminded of the need to make declarations of interest prior to any discussion which may take place

1. **Apologies**
To receive any apologies for absence.
2. **Declaration of Interests under the Code of Conduct**
Councillors are reminded of the requirement to declare any interest, including the type of interest, and reason for that interest, either at this stage of the meeting or as soon as they become aware of that interest.
3. **Public Question Time**
To receive any questions relating to items on the Agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.
4. **Chairman's Announcements**
To receive any announcements that the Chairman may wish to make.
5. **Minutes of the previous meeting (Pages 5 - 10)**
Members to consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the special meeting held on 15 July 2019.

6. **Performance & Risk (Pages 11 - 42)**
To receive a report from the Group Manager for Governance, Performance and Data Security providing Members with an update on performance against the Corporate Plan and local service targets for 2018-19 as well as providing an update on the key business risks.

To also consider the response of the Homes Policy Development Group following a request from the Committee that it consider the performance indicator in relation to 'the average number of days to re-let a property', otherwise known as 'void turn around'. The Policy Development Group at its meeting on 13 August 2019 discussed the issue and agreed that the performance indicator was acceptable and that the target for the average number of days to re-let a property remain at 14 days.
7. **Progress update on the Annual Governance Statement and Action Plan (Pages 43 - 48)**
To receive a report from the Group Manager for Governance, Performance and Data Security providing the Committee with an update on progress made against the Annual Governance Statement 2018/19 Action Plan.
8. **Internal Audit Progress Report (Pages 49 - 58)**
To receive a report from the Deputy Head of the Devon Audit Partnership monitoring the progress and performance of Internal Audit.
9. **External Audit Progress Report and sector update (Pages 59 - 62)**
To receive a verbal report from Grant Thornton, which will provide the Committee with a progress update on delivering their responsibilities as the Council's external auditors. The 2019/20 fee letter is attached.
10. **Identification of items for the next meeting**
Members are asked to note that the following items are already identified in the work programme for the next meeting:
 - Performance and Risk
 - Progress update on the Annual Governance Statement Action Plan
 - Internal Audit Progress Report
 - External Audit Progress Report and Sector Update
 - Annual Audit Letter

Note: This item is limited to 10 minutes. There should be no discussion on the items raised.

Stephen Walford
Chief Executive
Friday 16 August 2019

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