

Audit Committee

agenda

Date

2 December 2009

Time

7.30 pm

Place

Committee Room 4 Civic Suite Rayleigh

The public are welcome to attend this meeting up to item 12

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Terms of Reference

To exercise the Council's functions in relation to:-

- Matters arising out of internal audit and control reports
- The scope of internal audit activity
- Review of the adequacy of governance and risk management arrangements and internal control
- Consideration of matters arising from external audit as are referred to it by the External Auditor

Including the management of the budget in respect of these functions.

The Council's vision is to make Rochford District a place which provides opportunities for the best possible quality of life for all who live, work and visit here.

The Council's objectives are to make a difference:-

- to our people
- to our community
- to our environment
- to our local economy.

The Council's values (the way we work to pursue these objectives) are to:-

- Be an open, accountable, listening, responsive Council
- Put the customer and citizen at the heart of everything we do, delivering services in a caring and sensitive manner
- Co-ordinate the management of resources with an emphasis on sustainability
- Value the contribution of partners, employees and citizens, trusting each other and working collaboratively.

AGENDA

	Emergency evacuation announcement	Page No
1	Apologies for Absence	
2	Substitutes	
3	Non-Members attending	
4	Minutes of the Meeting held on 30 September 2009	
5	To Receive Declarations of Interest	
6	Questions on Notice	
7	Motions on Notice	
8	Annual Audit Plan Progress Report	8.1-8.3
	To consider the report of the Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management providing Members with the opportunity monitor the progress of the Internal Audit Plan for 2009/10.	
9	PKF Annual Governance Report 2008/09 Update of Recommendations	9.1-9.5
	To consider the report of the Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management drawing Members' attention to the recommendations from the 'Annual Governance Report 2008/09'.	
10	Data Quality Progress Report	10.1-10.3
	To consider the report of the Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management providing an update on the progress being made against the Council's Data Quality Strategy and Action Plans.	

11 Implementation of International Reporting Standards 11.1-11.6

To consider the report of the Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management informing Members of the timetable for compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the implications for the Council.

12 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To agree that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

13 Audit Report

To consider the exempt report of the Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management, which draws Members' attention to completed audit investigations and provides an update of audit recommendations.

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Paul Warren Chief Executive