

Audit & Governance Committee

To: Councillors Holvey, Hyman, Moore, Watson R, Jones, Scott and Hill

Date: Tuesday, 6 June 2006

Time: 5.00 pm

Venue: Guildhall

AGENDA

1. Declarations of Interest

At this point Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in the business on this agenda.

2. Public Participation

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Panel's remit can do so. Anyone who wishes to register or requires further information is requested to contact the Democracy Officer on the contact details listed at the foot of this agenda. The deadline for registering is Monday, 5 June at 10:00 am.

3. Committee Role, Remit and Key Relationships (Pages 1 - 8)

This report advises Members of the role, remit and key relationships of the new Audit and Governance Committee and asks them to consider a proposed Statement of Purpose for the Committee.

4. The Role and Function of the External Audit Service - Presentation

To receive a presentation by the Audit Commission on the role and function of the external audit service.

5. The Annual Audit Letter 2004/05 and Action Plan (Pages 9 - 56)

This report sets out for approval the action plan prepared further to the Annual Letter of the District Auditor, and covers all of the significant issues raised therein for internal monitoring and reporting purposes during 2006/07.

6. The Annual Audit Plan 2006/07 (Pages 57 - 84)

This report introduces the 2006/07 Audit and Inspection Plan of the District Auditor and asks Members to approve the Plan, having first considered whether it sufficiently reflects the audit needs and interests of the Council.

7. The Role and Function of the Internal Audit Service - Presentation

To receive a presentation from the Internal Audit Service (IAS) on the role and function of the IAS.

8. Annual Report of the Chief Internal Auditor (Pages 85 - 114)

This report details the outcome of audit and fraud work undertaken in 2005/06 and provides an opinion on the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the Council's internal control arrangements.

9. Audit and Fraud Plan for 2006/07 (Pages 115 - 142)

This report details the planned programme of audit and fraud work to be undertaken during 2006/07, together with arrangements to report on the results of audit work, and seeks Members' approval for the programme.

**10. The Role and Function of the Officer (Pages 143
Governance Group at the City of York Council - 154)**

This report advises Members of the role, function and forward work programme of the Officer Governance Group (OGG) and asks Members to endorse a proposal for the OGG to report progress against the work plan to the Audit and Governance Committee on a bi-annual basis.

**11. Forward Agenda Proposals (Pages 155
- 162)**

This report sets out proposals for the Committee's forward agenda from its inaugural meeting in June 2006 up to and including April 2008, for consideration and discussion by Members.

12. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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