AUDIT COMMITTEE - 8 JANUARY 2019

Audit Committee

Tuesday 8 January 2019 at 3pm

Present: Provost Brennan, Councillors Crowther (for Curley), McCabe, McCormick, J McEleny, McVey, Clocherty (for Murphy), Quinn and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Chief Internal Auditor, Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Property Services), Ms D Sweeney (Legal & Property Services) and Mr M Thomson (for Chief Financial Officer).

In attendance also: Mr M Laird and Mr D Jamieson, Audit Scotland.

The following paragraphs are submitted for information only, having been dealt with under the powers delegated to the Committee.

1 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Curley, with Councillor Crowther substituting, Councillor Murphy, with Councillor Clocherty substituting, and Councillors Brooks and Nelson.

No declarations of interest were intimated.

2 Internal Audit Progress Report – 17 September to 30 November 2018

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 17 September to 30 November 2018.

Decided: that the Committee note the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 17 September to 30 November 2018.

Audit Scotland National Report: The National Fraud Initiative in Scotland – July 2018 - Update Report – November 2018

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources providing Members with the outcome information for Inverclyde Council arising from the Audit Scotland report "The National Fraud Initiative in Scotland" which was published on the Audit Scotland website on 30 November 2018..

Decided: that the Committee note the release of outcome information relating to the National Fraud Initiative 2016/17 exercise for relevant data sets relating to Inverclyde Council.

It was agreed in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 as amended, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item on the grounds that the business involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 6 of Part I of Schedule 7(A) of the Act.

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4 Appendix relative to Item 2 providing update on a Special Investigation

There was submitted an appendix to the Internal Audit Progress Report providing an

update on a special investigation. **Decided:** that the appendix be noted.

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