

**AUDIT COMMITTEE – 7 MAY 2024****Audit Committee****Tuesday 7 May 2024 at 3pm**

**Present:** Provost McKenzie, Councillors Crowther, Curley, McCabe, McCluskey, McCormick, McGuire, McVey, Robertson and Wilson.

**Chair:** Councillor Wilson presided.

**In attendance:**

Louise Long	Chief Executive
Vicky Pollock	Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services
Stuart Jamieson	Director Environment & Regeneration
Ruth Binks	Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development
Craig Given	Head of Finance, Planning & Resources (Inverclyde HSCP) (for Chief Officer, Inverclyde HSCP)
Peter MacDonald	Principal Solicitor
Matt Thomson	Finance Manager (Environment & Technical)
Gerard Smith	Capital Assets Principal Accountant
Lindsay Carrick	Senior Committee Officer
Colin MacDonald	Senior Committee Officer
Karen McVey	Members' & Committee Services Team Leader
PJ Coulter	Corporate Communications Officer (Media Relations)

**In attendance also** Michael Wilkie, Director KPMG

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Provost McKenzie and Councillors McCabe, McCormick, McGuire, McVey and Robertson attending remotely.

Prior to the commencement of business, the Convener conveyed his thanks and appreciation on behalf of the Committee to the previous Convener, Councillor Innes Nelson, and wished him well for the future.

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

**Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest**

**235** An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Councillor Reynolds. **235**

No declarations of interest were intimated.

**236** **Internal Audit Progress Report – 31 January to 31 March 2024** **236**

There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 31 January to 31 March 2024.

**Decided:**

(1) that the progress made by Internal Audit in the period from 31 January to 31 March

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2024 be noted; and

(2) that it be noted that the 2024/25 Internal Audit Plan will be presented to the Audit Committee on 27 June 2024.

- 237 External Audit Action Plans – Current Actions 237**
- There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Legal & Democratic Services on the status of current actions from External Audit Action Plans as at 31 March 2024. Prior to discussion on this item, the Convener welcomed to the meeting Michael Wilkie, Director KPMG.
- Decided:** that the progress made in the implementation of External Audit actions be noted.
- 238 External Audit Plan for the Year Ended 31 March 2024 238**
- There was submitted a report by the Chief Financial Officer presenting the External Audit Plan for the year ended 31 March 2024 produced by KPMG.
- Decided:** that the External Audit Plan for the year ended 31 March 2024 be noted.