

AUDIT COMMITTEE - 24 AUGUST 2010

Audit Committee

Tuesday 24 August 2010 at 3 pm

Present: Provost McCormick, Councillors Ahlfeld, Blair, Brooks, McKenzie (for Clocherty), Dorrian, Fyfe, Loughran, McCallum and Nelson.

Chair: Councillor Blair presided.

In attendance: Corporate Director Organisational Improvement & Resources, Chief Internal Auditor, Ms J Buchanan (for Chief Financial Officer) and Mr F Jarvie (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

Present Also: Mr P Tait and Ms E Boyd (Audit Scotland).

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

438 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 438

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Clocherty and MacLeod with Councillor McKenzie substituting for Councillor Clocherty.

There were no declarations of interest intimated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

439 Risk Management Progress Report 439

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment updating Members on the progress made with regard to risk management since the meeting of the Committee on 27 April 2010.

Noted

440 External Audit Progress Report 440

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the reports produced by Audit Scotland since the last meeting of the Committee.

Councillors Loughran and McKenzie left the meeting during consideration of this item of business.

Decided:

(1) that the case study referred to in the National Fraud Initiative in Scotland (May 2010) report be noted;

(2) that it be noted that the Committee will receive a report from Audit Scotland on the Members' letter which will address any issues specific to Inverclyde around October 2010; and

(3) that all matters raised in the reports be noted.

441 External Audit Action Plan - Outstanding Actions 441

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment

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advising Members of the outstanding actions from External Audit Action Plans at 30 June 2010.

Decided: that the progress to date be noted.

442 Internal Audit Progress Report - 4 April to 30 July 2010 442

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the monitoring report of Internal Audit activity from 4 April to 30 July 2010.

Decided: that the progress made by Internal Audit during the reporting period be noted.

443 Annual Review of Risk Management Accounts 2009/10 443

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment advising Members on progress made in 2009/10 in developing and monitoring a strategic approach to managing risks faced by the Council.

Decided: that the progress made in 2009/10 in developing, implementing and monitoring a coherent, corporate approach to managing risks faced by the Council, and the actions required to maintain this level of progress during 2010/11 be noted.

444 Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement 2009/10 444

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Regeneration & Environment presenting to Members the Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement for 2009/10 which forms part of the Council's Statement on the System of Internal Financial Control.

Noted