

AUDIT COMMITTEE - 7 JANUARY 2014

Audit Committee

Tuesday 7 January 2014 at 3pm

Present: Provost Moran, Councillors Ahlfeld, Brennan, Campbell-Sturgess, Clocherty, Dorrian, McColgan (for Jones), Loughran, Brooks (for MacLeod), Nelson and Rebecchi.

Chair: Councillor Rebecchi presided.

In attendance: Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Head of Finance, Chief Internal Auditor and Ms G Murphy (for Head of Legal & Democratic Services).

1 Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest 1

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Jones and MacLeod, with Councillor McColgan substituting for Councillor Jones and Councillor Brooks substituting for Councillor MacLeod.

Councillor Clocherty declared an interest in agenda item 5 (External Audit Plan 2013-14).

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

2 External Audit Action Plans - Current Actions 2

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources on the status of current actions from the External Audit Action Plan at 31 October 2013.

Noted

3 Internal Audit Progress Report - 30 September to 29 November 2013 3

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources appending the monitoring report in respect of Internal Audit activity for the period 30 September to 29 November 2013.

During the course of discussion on this item, reference was made to the 4 outstanding 'red' Internal Audit Action Plan Points relating to Information Governance. It was noted that significant progress was being made on the items and that a report would be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.

(Councillor Campbell-Sturgess entered the meeting during consideration of this item of business).

Noted

4 Local Code of Governance 4

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources presenting the draft Local Code of Governance for approval.

Decided: that the draft Local Code of Governance be approved for adoption by the Council.

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5 External Audit Plan 2013-14**5**

There was submitted a report by the Acting Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources presenting the External Audit Report for 2013-14 produced by Grant Thornton.

Councillor Clocherty declared a non-financial interest in this matter as a director of Riverside Inverclyde. He also formed the view that the nature of his interest and of the item of business did not preclude his continued presence in the Chamber or his participation in the decision making process.

Noted