



AUDIT COMMITTEE

FRIDAY 13 JANUARY 2012 AT 10.00 AM

in the Flensburg Room, Civic Centre, Carlisle

A private preparatory / briefing meeting for Members of the Committee will be held at 9.30 am in the Flensburg Room.

Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence and notification of substitutions

Declarations of Interest

Members are invited to declare any personal interests, and any personal interests which are prejudicial, relating to any item on the agenda at this stage.

Public and Press

To agree that the items of business within Part A of the agenda should be dealt with in public and that the items of business within Part B of the agenda should be dealt with in private.

Minutes

To approve and sign the Minutes of the meetings held on 15 August, 27 September and 31 October 2011.

[Copy Minutes in Minute Book Volumes 38(3) and 38(4) /Minutes of previous meeting herewith]

PART A

To be considered when the Public and Press are present

A.1 MINUTES OF RESOURCES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

The Minutes of the meeting of the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 6 December 2011 are submitted for information. (Copy Minutes herewith)

A.2 **RESPONSES FROM THE EXECUTIVE**

To consider the following responses:

- (a) EX.133/11 Carlisle Airport Audit Commission Report
- (b) EX.134/11 Future Work of Audit Practice

(Copy Minute Excerpt herewith)

A.3 FUTURE WORK OF THE AUDIT PRACTICE

To receive a verbal update from the Audit Commission on the future work of the audit practice.

A.4 ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER 2010/11

The Audit Commission to submit the Annual Audit Letter for 2010/11. (Copy Letter herewith)

A.5 AUDIT PLAN 2011/12

The Audit Commission to submit their Audit Plan for 2011/12. (Copy Audit Plan herewith)

A.6 2011/12 FINAL ACCOUNTS PROCESS

The Assistant Director (Resources) to submit a report updating Members on the 2011/12 final Accounts process. (Copy Report RD.81/11 herewith)

A.7 CARLISLE AIRPORT: UPDATE

Pursuant to Minute AUC.61/11 and AUC.78/11, the Assistant Director (Governance) to submit a report providing evidence of how Officers intend to action the recommendations from the Audit Commission Report on Carlisle Airport.

(Copy Report GD.06/12 herewith)

A.8 AUDIT SERVICES PROGRESS REPORT

The Assistant Director (Resources) to submit a report summarising the work carried out by Audit Services since the previous report to the Committee on 31 October 2011.

(Copy Report RD.76/11 herewith)

A.9 DRAFT TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT, INVESTMENT STRATEGY AND MINIMUM REVENUE PROVISION STRATEGY 2012/13

The Assistant Director (Resources) to submit a report setting out the Council's draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2012/13 in accordance with the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management. (Copy Report RD.72/11 herewith)

A.10 CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT

Pursuant to Minute AUC.79/11, the Town Clerk and Chief Executive to submit a report updating Members on the Council's Corporate Risk Management arrangements.

(Copy Report SD.02/12 herewith)

PART B To be considered in Private

B.1 HIGHWAY SAFETY – PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

This report is not for publication by virtue of paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as the report contains exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)

Pursuant to Minute AUC.76/11, the Assistant Director (Governance) to submit a report detailing health and safety recommendations relating to the Council's highways operations and the progress made in their implementation. (Copy Report GD.05/12 herewith)

Members of the Audit Committee:

Conservative: Lishman, Mallinson E (Chairman), Nedved

Labour: Boaden, Franklin, Patrick (Vice-Chairman)

Independent: Betton

Substitutes: Bowman S, Craig, Parsons (Conservative), Bowditch, Whalen, Wilson (Labour), Graham (Independent).

Enquiries, requests for reports, background papers, etc to Lead Committee Clerk: Morag Durham – 817036

Notes to Members: