

Agenda for a meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee to be held in Committee Room 2 at Shire Hall, Warwick on Monday 25 September 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

Note: Training for Members will follow on from this meeting at 1:00 p.m. (lunch will be provided at 12:30 p.m.)

1. General

(1) Apologies for absence

(2) Members' Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

(3) Minutes of the Audit and Standards Committee meeting held on 5 June 2006.

2. External Auditors Annual Governance Report. 2005/2006

Report of the Strategic Director, Resources.

A report from the District Audit outlining matters arising from their audit of the 2005/2006 accounts.

Recommendation

That Members of the Committee note the report and make any comments.

For further information please contact David Clarke, Strategic Director, Resources Tel: 01926 412003 e-mail davidclarkeTR@warwickshire.gov.uk

3. External Auditors Letter of Representation 2005/2006

Report of the Strategic Director, Resources.

A report to present to Members the Letter of Representation from the authority to District Audit for 2005/2006.

Recommendation

That Members of the Committee note the report and authorise the Chair of the Committee to sign.

For further information please contact David Clarke, Strategic Director, Resources Tel: 01926 412003 e-mail davidclarkeTR@warwickshire.gov.uk

4. Statement of Accounts and Statement on Internal Control 2005/06.

Report of the Strategic Director, Resources.

That Members of the Committee note the report and amended accounts and Statement of Internal Control.

Recommendation

That Members of the Committee note the report and amended accounts and Statement on Internal Control.

For further information please contact David Clarke, Strategic Director, Resources Tel: 01926 412003 e-mail davidclarkeTR@warwickshire.gov.uk

5. Internal Audit Report

Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development.

This report summarises the results of internal audit work carried out in the quarter ended 30 June 2006.

Recommendation

That the results of internal audit work in the period be noted.

For further information please contact Dave Clarke, Strategic Director of Resources, Tel: 01926 412003 E-mail davidclarketr@warwickshire.gov.uk.

6. Review of Financial Standing Orders

Report from the Strategic Director of Resources.

This report summarised the outcome of a review of the Council's financial Standing Orders and proposes amendments which are to be recommended to full Council for approval.

Recommendation

That the Audit and Standards Committee recommends that the amendments proposed to Financial Standing Orders are reported to Cabinet and then to Council for approval.

For further information please contact Neill Butler, Performance Development Accountant, Resources Directorate. Tel. 01926 476967 e-mail neillbutler@warwickshire.gov.uk.

7. Programme and Dates for future meetings

The Committee is invited to note the schedule of future meetings -

10.00 a.m. Wednesday 22 November 2006

10.00 a.m. Wednesday 21 February 2007

10.00 a.m. Wednesday 13 June 2007

10:00 a.m. Wednesday 21 November 2007

10:00 a.m. Wednesday 20 February 2008

8. Any Other Business

Which the Chair decides is urgent.

Jim Graham
Chief Executive

Shire Hall,
Warwick
September 2006

Membership

Councillors Sarah Boad, Les Caborn, Mick Jones, Tim Naylor, Bob Stevens and John Vereker CBE.

Independent Members: John Bridgeman, Chair and Mark Magowan.

If you have any questions about this agenda please contact Jean Hardwick, Principal Committee Administrator, Member Services, Performance and Development Directorate, Tel. 01926 412470 or e-mail jeanhardwick@warwickshire.gov.uk