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AUDIT COMMITTEE

DATE:	Thursday, 13 February 2025
TIME:	10.30 am
VENUE:	Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on- Sea, CO15 1SE

MEMBERSHIP:

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DATE OF PUBLICATION: Wednesday, 5 February 2025

1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

The Committee is asked to note any apologies for absence and substitutions received from Members.

2 <u>Minutes of the Last Meeting</u> (Pages 5 - 16)

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on 30 January 2025.

3 <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

Resources and Services

4 Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38

Subject to providing two working days' notice, a Member of the Committee may ask the Chairman of the Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Tendring District **and** which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

5 <u>Report of Director (Finance & IT) - A.1 - Statement of Accounts 2023/24 and associated Planning, Annual and Year End Reports of the External Auditor</u> (Pages 17 - 290)

To present for consideration and approval where necessary the following, to enable the final opinion on the accounts and value for money arrangements to be formally issued by the External Auditor:

- The External Auditor's External Audit Plan & Strategy for the year ending 31 March 2024;
- The External Auditor's Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2024;
- The External Auditor's Value for Money Report 2023/24;
- The External Auditor's Year End Report for the year ended 31 March 2024; and
- The Council's Statement of Accounts (including the Annual Governance Statement) for 2023/24 for consideration and approval for publication by the backstop date of 28 January 2025.

Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Audit Committee is to be held in the Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE at 10.30 am on Thursday, 27 March 2025.

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