

LANCASHIRE COMBINED FIRE AUTHORITY

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Thursday, 23 June 2016 in the Main Conference Room at Service Headquarters, Fulwood, commencing at 10:00 hours

AGENDA

PART 1 (open to press and public)

Chairman's Announcement – Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014

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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Members are asked to consider any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests they may have to disclose to the meeting in relation to matters under consideration on the agenda.

3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)**

4. **External Audit - Understanding How the Committee Gains Assurance from Management (Pages 7 - 12)**

5. **Internal Audit Annual Report 2015/16 (Pages 13 - 32)**

6. **External Audit - Audit Committee Update (Pages 33 - 44)**

7. **Annual Governance Statement 2015/16 (Pages 45 - 60)**

8. **Internal Audit Service Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme (Pages 61 - 70)**

9. Risk Management (Pages 71 - 90)

10. Amendment to Contract Standing Orders and Scheme of Delegation (Pages 91 - 92)

11. Urgent Business

An item of business may only be considered under this heading where, by reason of special circumstances to be recorded in the Minutes, the Chairman of the meeting is of the opinion that the item should be considered as a matter of urgency. Wherever possible, the Clerk should be given advance warning of any Member's intention to raise a matter under this heading.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be held on Thursday 29 September 2016 at 1000 hours in the Main Conference Room at Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service HQ, Fulwood.

Further meetings are proposed for: 26 January 2017, 30 March 2017 and 22 June 2017.

13. Exclusion of Press and Public

The Committee is asked to consider whether, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, they consider that the public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that there would be a likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the appropriate paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, indicated under the heading to the item.

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