



STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council Offices • Ebley Mill • Ebley Wharf • Stroud • GL5 4UB

Telephone 01453 766321

www.stroud.gov.uk

Email: democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk

22 November 2021

AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Audit and Standards Committee will be held on **TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2021** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary
Chief Executive

Please Note: The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

Due to current Covid-19 regulations a maximum of 6 members of public will be permitted in the Council Chamber at any one time, if you would like to attend this meeting please contact democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk.

A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies of absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 3 - 10)**
To approve the minutes and exempt minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2021.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
The Chair of the Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS Noon on Wednesday 24 November 2021

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk

5. **RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE (Pages 11 - 18)**
To update the Committee on the review of Risk Management Arrangements and give an oversight of the Corporate Risk Register.
6. **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT 2021/22 (Pages 19 - 108)**
To inform Members of the Internal Audit activity progress in relation to the approved Internal Audit Plan 2021/22.
7. **HALF YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2021/22 (Pages 109 - 120)**
To provide an update on Treasury Management activity as at 30/09/2021.
8. **PROCUREMENT UPDATE (Pages 121 - 156)**
To update the Committee on procurement activity across the Council.
9. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PROCUREMENT (Pages 157 - 178)**
To agree the arrangements for the provision of external auditors to review the Council's Statement of Accounts and Value for Money Arrangements.
10. **MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT - GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY (Pages 179 - 180)**
The Audit and Standards Committee is asked to consider the addition of a reference to 'Gifts and Hospitality' in the Members Code of Conduct, as recommended by the Constitution Working Group and recommend to Council accordingly.
11. **STANDING ITEMS**
(a) To consider the Work Programme for 2021/22 (Pages 181 - 182)
12. **MEMBER QUESTIONS**
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

Members of Audit and Standards Committee

Councillor Nigel Studdert-Kennedy (Chair)

Councillor Paula Baker
Councillor Stephen Davies
Councillor Nick Hurst
Councillor Norman Kay

Councillor Martin Percy (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Keith Pearson
Councillor Ashley Smith
Councillor Rich Wilsher