



Dear Councillor

The next meeting of the **ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT** Committee will be held at **6.30 pm** on **WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2023** in the **Council Chamber, 13 Church Street, Clitheroe, BB7 2DD.**

I do hope you can be there.

Yours sincerely

M. H. Scott

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** (Pages 3 - 6)
3. **DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY, OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON REGISTRABLE INTERESTS**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary, other registrable or non-registrable interest in respect of matters contained in the agenda.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

ITEMS FOR DECISION

5. **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT** (Pages 7 - 26)
Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
6. **AUDIT FINDINGS REPORT - GRANT THORNTON** (Pages 27 - 70)
Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
7. **LETTER OF REPRESENTATION** (Pages 71 - 74)
Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.

8. **APPROVAL OF AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2022/23** (Pages 75 - 256)

Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

9. **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT 2023/24** (Pages 257 - 264)

Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.

10. **REVIEW OF RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY** (Pages 265 - 266)

Report of the Director of Resources Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.

11. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

None.

12. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

None.

Electronic agendas sent to members of Accounts and Audit – Councillor Robin Walsh (Chair), Councillor Stuart Hirst (Vice-Chair), Councillor Anthony (Tony) Austin, Councillor Stewart Fletcher, Councillor Jonathan Hill, Councillor Richard Newmark, Councillor Gaye McCrum, Councillor Lee Street, Councillor Charles McFall, Councillor Karl Barnsley and Councillor Michael Graveston.

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