



Dear Councillor

The next meeting of the **ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT** Committee will be held at **6.30 pm** on **WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL 2024** 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. **REVIEW OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES 2023/24** (Pages 7 - 24)
Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
6. **STRATEGIC INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024/25** (Pages 25 - 40)
Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

7. **AUDIT FEE VARIATION IN RESPECT OF 2022/23** (Pages 41 - 42)
Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
8. **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT 2023/24** (Pages 43 - 46)
Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
9. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT** (Pages 47 - 80)
Report of Grant Thornton enclosed.
10. **STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER** (Pages 81 - 84)
Report of the Director of Resources and Deputy Chief Executive enclosed.
11. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**
None.
12. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**
There are no items under this heading.

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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