

Title:	Audit Committee
Date:	19 May 2009
Time:	4.00pm
Venue	Committee Room 1, Hove Town Hall
Members:	*Councillors: Hamilton (Chairman), Alford, Kitcat, Lainchbury, Oxley, Randall, Simpson, Smith, G Theobald and Watkins (Deputy Chairman)
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AGENDA

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103. PROCEDURAL BUSINESS

- (a) Declaration of Substitutes Where Councillors are unable to attend a meeting, a substitute Member from the same Political Group may attend, speak and vote in their place for that meeting.
- (b) Declarations of Interest by all Members present of any personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the Members regard the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.
- (c) Exclusion of Press and Public To consider whether, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, or the nature of the proceedings, the press and public should be excluded from the meeting when any of the following items are under consideration.

NOTE: Any item appearing in Part 2 of the Agenda states in its heading the category under which the information disclosed in the report is exempt from disclosure and therefore not available to the public.

A list and description of the exempt categories is available for public inspection at Brighton and Hove Town Halls.

104. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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Minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2009 (copy attached).

105. CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS

106. PETITIONS

No petitions received by date of publication.

107. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

(The closing date for receipt of public questions is 12 noon on 12 May 2009).

No public questions received by date of publication.

108. DEPUTATIONS

(The closing date for receipt of deputations is 12 noon on 12 May 2009).

No deputations received by date of publication.

109. LETTERS FROM COUNCILLORS

No letters have been received.

110. WRITTEN QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS

No written questions have been received.

111. AUDIT COMMISSION UPDATE REPORT

Report from the Audit Commission (copy to follow).

Ward Affected: All Wards:

112. ANNUAL AUDIT AND INSPECTION FEES LETTERS (INCLUDING 9 - 16 BROAD COVERAGE)

Report from the Audit Commission (copy attached).

Ward Affected: All Wards;

113. ASSURANCES FROM THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE

Report from the Audit Commission (copy to follow).

Ward Affected: All Wards

114. INTERNAL AUDIT STRATEGY AND ANNUAL PLAN 2009/2010

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Report of the Assistant Director of Finance and Resources (copy attached).

Contact Officer: Ian Withers Tel: 29-1323

Ward Affected: All Wards:

115. REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SYSTEMS OF INTERNAL AUDIT

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance and Resources (copy to

follow).

Contact Officer: Ian Withers Tel: 29-1323

Ward Affected: All Wards;

116. RISK AND OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT (ROM) UPDATE - 61 - 70 CORPORATE RISK REGISTER 2009-10

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance and Resources (copy

attached).

Contact Officer: Jackie Algar Tel: 29-1273

Ward Affected: All Wards;

PART TWO

117. PART TWO MINUTES - EXEMPT CATEGORY 3

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Restricted Minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2009 (copy attached).

AUDIT COMMITTEE

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For further details and general enquiries about this meeting contact Jane Clarke, (01273 291064, email jane.clarke@brighton-hove.gov.uk) or email democratic.services@brighton-hove.gov.uk

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