Exempt

Audit Committee

Agenda

6:00pm Monday, 9th November 2009 The Earl Baldwin Suite Duke House, Clensmore Street, Kidderminster

Audit Committee

Members of Committee:

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Information relating to a particular chief officer, former chief officer or applicant to become a chief officer of a local probation board within the meaning of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000.

Information which is subject to any obligation of confidentiality.

Information which relates in any way to matters concerning national security.

A matter referred by an Ethical Standards Officer under the provisions of section 64(2) of the Local Government Act 2000. (Ethical Standards Officers investigate cases for the Standards Board for England)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - GUIDANCE NOTE

Code of Conduct

Members are reminded that under the Code of Conduct it is the responsibility of individual Members to declare any personal or personal and prejudicial interest in any item on this agenda. A Member who declares a personal interest may take part in the meeting and vote, unless the interest is also prejudicial. If the interest is prejudicial, as defined in the Code, the Member must leave the room. However, Members with a prejudicial interest can still participate if a prescribed exception applies or a dispensation has been granted.

Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992.

If any Member is two months or more in arrears with a Council Tax payment, they may not vote on any matter which might affect the calculation of the Council Tax, any limitation of it, its administration or related penalties or enforcement.

For further information:-

If you have any queries about this Agenda or require any details of background papers, further documents or information you should contact Ben Craddock, Assistant Committee / Scrutiny Officer, Civic Centre, Stourport-on-Severn. Telephone: 01562 732736 or email ben.craddock@wyreforestdc.gov.uk

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Part 1 Open to the press and public

Agenda item	Subject	Page Number
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Appointment of Substitute Members	
	To receive the name of any Councillor who is to act as a substitute, notice of which has been given to the Director of Legal & Corporate Services, together with the name of the Councillor for whom he/she is acting.	
3.	Declarations of Interest	
	In accordance with the Code of Conduct, to invite Members to declare the existence and nature of any personal or personal and prejudicial interests in the following agenda items. Members should indicate the action they will be taking when the item is considered.	
	Members are also invited to make any declaration in relation to Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992. (See guidance note on cover.)	
4.	Minutes	
	To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on the 28th September 2009. Open Minutes Audit Committee 280909	5
5.	External Funding Position Statement for Quarter 2, 2009	
	To receive a report from the Regeneration Officer which updates Members on the amount of external funding being attracted into the District, and the variety of projects for which said funding is contributing towards for the benefit of the District and its' residents. External Funding Position Statement Q2 2009	10
6.	Annual Governance Statement - Action Plan	
	To receive a report from the Director of Resources which presents to Members the current position in relation to the Action Plan, which was developed to address the weaknesses identified within 2008/09 and any outstanding issues from the previous Annual Governance Statement. Annual Governance Statement Action Plan Annual Governance Statement Action Plan App 1	14

7.	To consider any other business, details of which have been communicated to the Director of Legal and Corporate Services before the commencement of the meeting, which the Chairman by reason of special circumstances considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.	
8.	Exclusion of the Press and Public	
	To consider passing the following resolution:	1
	"That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of "exempt information" as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act".	

Part 2

Not open to the Press and Public

9.	Exempt Minutes	
	To confirm as a correct record the Exempt Minutes of the meeting held on 28th September 2009. <u>Audit Committee Exempt Minutes 28 09 09</u>	20
10.	Internal Audit Monitoring Report Quarter Ended 30 th September 2009	
	To receive a report from the Director of Resources which informs Members of the Internal Audit Monitoring Report for the Quarter ended 30th September 2009 - attached as Appendix 1. Internal Audit Monitoring Report Quarter Ended 30th September 2009	22
11.	To consider any other business, details of which have been communicated to the Director of Legal and Corporate Services before the commencement of the meeting, which the Chairman by reason of special circumstances considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.	