Minute

Monitoring and Audit Committee

Thursday, 26 August 2021, 11:00.

Microsoft Teams.



Present

Councillors John T Richards, David Dawson, Andrew Drever, Steven B Heddle and Heather N Woodbridge.

Clerk

• Sandra Craigie, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Gareth Waterson, Executive Director of Finance, Regulatory, Marine and Transportation Services.
- Colin Kemp, Interim Head of Finance.
- Andrew Groundwater, Head of HR and Performance.
- Gavin Mitchell, Head of Legal Services.
- Andrew Paterson, Chief Internal Auditor.
- Shonagh Merriman, Accounting Manager (Corporate Finance).

Audit Scotland:

• Claire Gardiner, Senior Audit Manager.

Observing

Rebecca McAuliffe, Press Officer.

Apologies

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor John A R Scott.

Declarations of Interest

• No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

• Councillor John T Richards.

1. Form of Voting

The Committee resolved that, should a vote be required in respect of the matters to be considered at this meeting, notwithstanding Standing Order 21.4, the form of voting should be by calling the roll (recorded vote).

2. Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement

After consideration of a report by the Chief Internal Auditor, copies of which had been circulated, the Committee:

Noted:

- **2.1.** The Internal Audit Annual Report and Assurance Statement for 2020/21, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Chief Internal Auditor.
- **2.2.** That, subject to exclusions set out within the Internal Audit Annual Report 2020/21, in general there were adequate controls operating in respect of the areas which were subject to audit review.

3. Draft Annual Accounts

After consideration of a report by the Interim Executive Director of Finance, Regulatory, Marine and Transportation Services, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Interim Head of Finance, the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

- **3.1.** That the Annual Governance Statement, comprising pages 19 to 28 of the draft Annual Accounts for financial year 2020/21, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Interim Executive Director of Finance, Regulatory, Marine and Transportation Services, be approved.
- **3.2.** That the draft Annual Accounts for financial year 2020/21, attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Interim Executive Director of Finance, Regulatory, Marine and Transportation Services, be approved.

4. Conclusion of Meeting

At 11:44 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: John T Richards.