

Audit Committee

Agenda

Monday, 17th November, 2025 at 4.30 pm

in the

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn and available for the public to view on WestNorfolkBC on You Tube



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Friday 7th November 2025

Dear Member

Audit Committee

You are invited to attend a meeting of the above-mentioned Panel which will be held on Monday, 17th November, 2025 at 4.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Saturday Market Place, King's Lynn PE30 5DQ to discuss the business shown below.

Yours sincerely

Chief Executive

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive any apologies of absence.

2. Minutes (Pages 5 - 13)

To approve the minutes from the Audit Committee held on 22nd September 2025.

3. <u>Declarations of Interest</u> (Page 14)

Please indicate if there are any interests which should be declared. A declaration of an interest should indicate the nature of the interest (if not already declared on the Register of Interests) and the agenda item to which it relates. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared, the Member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed.

These declarations apply to all Members present, whether the Member is part of the meeting, attending to speak as a local Member on any item or simply observing the meeting from the public seating area.

4. <u>Urgent Business Under Standing Order 7</u>

To consider any business which, by reason of special circumstances, the Chairman proposed to accept as urgent under Section 100(b)(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972.

5. <u>Members Present Pursuant to Standing Order 34</u>

Members wishing to speak pursuant to Standing Order 34 should inform the Chairman of their intention to do so and on what items they wish to be heard before the meeting commences. Any Member attending the meeting under Standing Order 34 will only be permitted to speak on those items which have been previously notified to the Chairman

- 6. Chair's Correspondence (if any)
- 7. <u>Verbal Update form External Auditors EY</u>
- 8. **Progress Report 2025 2026** (Pages 15 47)
- 9. Business Continuity Annual Update (Pages 48 53)
- 10. Risk Strategy and Policy Report (Pages 54 78)
- **11. Shareholder Assurance Report** (Pages 79 112)
- **12. Committee Work Programme 2024/2025** (Pages 113 120)

To note the Committee's Work Programme for 2025/2026.

13. Date of Next Meeting

To note that the date of the next meeting of the Audit Committee will take place on 19th January 2026.

To:

Audit Committee: S Bearshaw, S Dark, T de Winton (Vice - Chair), P Devulapalli, B Jones, P Kunes, B Long, A Moore and A Ryves (Chair)

Portfolio Holders:

Councillor C Morley – Portfolio Holder for Finance Councillor A Beales – Leader

By Invitation:

Members of the Shareholder Committee for item 11.

Officers

Alexa Baker, Monitoring Officer
David Riglar, External Auditor from EY
Teresa Sharman, Head of Internal Audit
Michelle Drewery, Deputy Chief Executive and Section 151 Officer
Debbie Ess, Senior Corporate Governance Officer
Carl Holland, Assistant Director for Finance and Deputy Section 151 Officer