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Dear Councillor

AUDIT COMMITTEE - THURSDAY 29th JUNE 2006

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Audit Committee to be held on Thursday, 29th June, 2006, at 6.00pm in Committee Room 3 at the Council House, Dudley, to consider the business set out in the agenda below.

A Committee tea will be available for Members in the Members' Dining Room from 4.30 pm. Please contact Manjit Johal on the telephone number above if a vegetarian or special dietary meal is required or if a meal is not required.

Yours sincerely,

John Poyulis

Director of Law and Property

AGENDA

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.

APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

To report the appointment of any substitutes to this meeting of the Committee.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations of interest in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.



4. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 13th April, 2006.

5. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 2005/06 (PAGES 1 - 59)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

6. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF INTERNAL CONTROL (PAGES 60 – 67)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

7. INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES – ANNUAL REPORT 2005/2006 (PAGES 68 – 80)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

8. AUDIT CHARTER (PAGES 81 – 84)

To consider a report of the Director of Finance.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE (PAGES 85 – 88)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

10. TO ANSWER QUESTIONS UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 11.8 (IF ANY)

11. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

To consider the adoption of the following resolution:-

That, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as set out in Schedule 12A of the Act, in particular the paragraph of Part I of that Schedule indicated below.

Agenda Item	No Description of Item	Relevant Paragraph of Part I of Schedule 12A
12	Report Required Under Standing Order 3.2	2 and 7
13	Annual Report on Audit Work in Law and Property Directorate	2 and 7

12. REPORT REQUIRED UNDER STANDING ORDER 3.2 (PAGES 89 – 92)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

13. ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT IN RELATION TO THE LAW AND PROPERTY DIRECTORATE (PAGES 93 – 108)

To consider the report of the Director of Finance.

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