



Audit and Standards Committee

**Tuesday, 10th February, 2015 at 6.00pm
in Committee Room 3 at the Council House, Priory Road, Dudley**

Agenda - Public Session (Meeting open to the public and press)

1. Apologies for absence.
2. To report the appointment of any substitute Members for this meeting of the Sub-Committee.
3. To receive any declarations of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct.
4. To confirm and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 9th December, 2014 as a correct record.
5. Grant Thornton Audit Committee Update (Pages 1 – 15)
6. Grant Thornton Letter: Grant Certification Work 2013/14 (Pages 16 – 20)
7. Treasury Management (Pages 21 – 37)
8. To consider any questions from Members to the Chair where two clear days notice has been given to the Strategic Director (Resources and Transformation) (Council Procedure Rule 11.8).

Under the provisions of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the Director of Corporate Resources has decided that there will be no advance disclosure of the following reports because the public interest in disclosing the information is outweighed by the public interest in maintaining the exemption from disclosure

The submission of these reports complies with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012


9. Resolution to exclude the public and press

Chair to move:

“That the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Part I of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, for the reasons stated on the agenda.”

Agenda - Private Session
(Meeting not open to the public and press)

10. Audit Services Interim Performance Report (Pages 38 – 56)
11. Annual Audit Report in relation to the Directorate of Children's Services (Pages 57 – 102)
12. Employees not taking lunch breaks or compensatory breaks (Pages 103 – 109)



Strategic Director (Resources and Transformation)

Dated: 29th January, 2015

Distribution:

Councillor J Cowell (Chair)

Councillor M Roberts (Vice-Chair)

Councillors A. Aston; C Billingham; P Brothwood; M. Evans; D. Russell, A. Taylor and D Tyler

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