

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2025

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Corporate Governance Committee held on Monday, 24 November 2025. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording which will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Miss. G. Duckworth (tel: 0116 305 2583).

ITEM 7

*Director of Corporate
Resources*

EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S ANNUAL REPORT AND EXTERNAL AUDIT OF THE 2024/25 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS, ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT AND PENSION FUND ACCOUNTS.

That the report be noted and delegated authority to the Director of Corporate Resources and Chairman of the Committee to approve and sign the financial statements and letters of representation for 2024/25, once the final outstanding items have been resolved, be approved.

ITEM 8

*Director of Corporate
Resources*

QUARTERLY TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT.

That the report be noted.

ITEM 9

*Chief Executive and
Director of Corporate
Resources*

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SOCIAL CARE OMBUDSMAN PERFORMANCE ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25.

That the report be noted.

ITEM 10

*Director of Law and
Governance*

POLICY FOR DISCLOSURE AND BARRING SERVICE (DBS) CHECKS FOR ELECTED MEMBERS.

That the policy for DBS Checks for elected members be approved.

ITEM 11

*Director of Law and
Governance*

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE OPERATION OF THE MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT 2024/25.

That the report be noted and the Independent Persons be formally thanked for their ongoing commitment and assistance in upholding standards of conduct.

ITEM 12

*Director of Corporate
Resources*

RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE.

- a) That the status of the corporate and strategic

risks facing the County Council be approved;

- b) That recommendations be made on any areas which might benefit from further examination;
- c) That the emerging risks on Artificial Intelligence and Local Government Reorganisation (update) be noted;
- d) That the counter fraud updates be noted.

ITEM 13

*Director of Corporate
Resources*

**INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE - PROGRESS AGAINST
2025-26 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN AND HIGH
IMPORTANCE RECOMMENDATIONS.**

- a) That the updates on progress on work undertaken (at 30 September 2025) and the implementation of high importance recommendations (at 31 October 2025) be noted;
- b) That the progress against plan position at 30 September 2025 be noted.

ITEM 14

*Director of Corporate
Resources and
Director of Law and
Governance*

DRAFT INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTER.

That the revised draft Internal Audit Charter be reviewed and that a delegation to the Director of Corporate Resources to make any necessary changes be agreed.