

**AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA**  
**for the meeting on**  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 10.30 a.m.**  
**Grimsby Town Hall**

<b>1.</b>	<b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b>  To record any apologies for absence.	-
<b>2.</b>	<b><u>Declarations of Interest</u></b>  To record any declarations of interest by any Member of the Committee in respect of items on this agenda.  Members declaring interests must identify the agenda item and the type and detail of the interest declared.	-
<b>3</b>	<b><u>Minutes</u></b>  To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Audit and Governance Committee held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> October and 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 (copies attached).	<b>7</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b><u>Tracking of Recommendations</u></b>  To receive a report tracking the recommendations of the Audit and Governance Committee (copy attached).	<b>19</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b><u>Code of Governance and Annual Governance Statement 2024-25 update</u></b>  To receive a report from the Assistant Director Law and Governance on a revised Code of Governance which takes account of any changes to the Council's governance arrangements since it was previously approved in January 2025, (copy attached).	<b>21</b>
<b>6.</b>	<b><u>Statement of Accounts and Accounting Policies</u></b>  To consider a report from the Interim Section 151 Officer seeking approval of the accounting policies to be used in completing the 2025/2026 Statement of Accounts. (copy attached).	<b>51</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b><u>Internal Audit Interim Report</u></b>  To consider a report from the Head of Internal Audit which summarises the results of Internal Audit work in relation to the 2025/26 Internal Audit Plan up to 31 December 2025, (copy attached).	<b>69</b>
<b>8.</b>	<b><u>Follow Up Letter to the Audit Completion Report 2024/25</u></b>  To receive the external auditor's Follow Up Letter to the Audit Completion Report 2024/25, (copy attached).	<b>83</b>

9.	<b><u>Auditor's Annual Report 2024/25</u></b>  To receive the external auditor's Annual Report 2024/25 (copy attached).	87
10.	<b><u>Treasury Management Policy and Strategy Statement 2026-27</u></b>  To consider a report from the Interim Section 151 Officer which presents the restated Treasury Policy Statement and the Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS), (copy attached).	121
11.	<b><u>2026/27 Treasury Management Practices</u></b>  To consider a report from the Interim Section 151 Officer seeking approval of the Treasury Management Practices 1 and any other listed amendments to other Practices, (copy attached).	169
12.	<b><u>Partnership Protocol: 2026 Review</u></b>  To receive a report from the Assistant Director Law and Governance seeking approval of the refreshed Partnership Protocol, (copy attached).	185
13.	<b><u>Exclusion of the Press and public</u></b>  To consider requesting the press and public to leave on the grounds that Appendix A is likely to disclose exempt information within the relevant paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).	-
14.	<b><u>Urgent Business</u></b>  To receive any business which, in the opinion of the Chairman, is urgent by reason of special circumstances which must be stated and minuted.	-
15.	<b><u>Issues for Discussion with the Internal and External Auditors</u></b>  To provide an opportunity, at the close of this meeting, to discuss any confidential matters of concern with the External Auditor and the Head of Internal Audit.	-

**SHARON WROOT**

**INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE**