

### Argyll and Bute Council Comhairle Earra-Ghàidheal Agus Bhòid

Customer Services

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#### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

A meeting of the **AUDIT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD** on **TUESDAY, 19 JUNE 2018** at **11:15 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director of Customer Services

#### **BUSINESS**

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- **3. MINUTES** (Pages 3 8)

Minutes of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee held on Tuesday, 20 March 2018.

#### **AUDIT ITEMS**

4. INTERNAL AUDIT SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES (Pages 9 - 20)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

5. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS TO AUDIT & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2018/19 (Pages 21 - 94)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

6. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT FOLLOW-UP 2017-18 (Pages 95 - 100)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL MANAGEMENT REPORT 2017/18 (Pages 101 - 108)

Report by Audit Scotland

#### **8. INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2017-18** (Pages 109 - 118)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

#### **SCRUTINY ITEMS**

#### 9. STRATEGIC RISK REGISTER (Pages 119 - 126)

Report by Chief Executive

#### 10. LOCAL SCRUTINY PLAN 2018/19 - AUDIT SCOTLAND (Pages 127 - 136)

Report by Head of Strategic Finance

#### 11. COUNCILS' USE OF ARM'S-LENGTH ORGANISATIONS (Pages 137 - 178)

Report by Audit Scotland

#### **12**. **SCRUTINY MANUAL** (Pages 179 - 194)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

#### **13**. **2018/19 SCRUTINY PLAN** (Pages 195 - 244)

Report by Chief Internal Auditor

## **14. COUNCIL PERFORMANCE REPORT - OCTOBER TO MARCH 2018** (Pages 245 - 256)

Report by Head of Improvement & HR

# 15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BENCHMARKING FRAMEWORK - ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY (Pages 257 - 370)

Report by Head of Improvement & HR

# **16. LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SCOTLAND: CHALLENGES AND PERFORMANCE 2018** (Pages 371 - 416)

Report by Head of Improvement & HR

#### 17. REVIEW OF CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (Pages 417 - 460)

Report by Governance and Risk Manager

#### 18. UNAUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS - TO FOLLOW

Report by Head of Strategic Finance

#### 19. AUDIT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORKPLAN (Pages 461 - 466)

### **Audit and Scrutiny Committee**

Martin Caldwell (Chair) Councillor Jim Findlay

Councillor George Freeman Councillor Sir Jamie McGrigor

Councillor Alan Reid Councillor Sandy Taylor (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Richard Trail Councillor Andrew Vennard

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