

MINUTES of the SPECIAL MEETING of ARGYLL AND BUTE HSCP AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE held BY MICROSOFT TEAMS on WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2023

Present:

Councillor Kieron Green (Chair)

Gaener Rodger
Susan Ringwood

Councillor Dougie Philand

Attending:

Fiona Davies, Chief Officer, Argyll and Bute HSCP
James Gow, Head of Finance and Transformation, Argyll and Bute HSCP
Caroline Cherry, Head of Adult Services – Health and Community Care, Argyll and Bute HSCP
Jillian Torrens, Head of Adult Services – Acute and Complex Care, Argyll and Bute HSCP
Evan Beswick, Head of Primary Care, Argyll and Bute HSCP
Charlotte Craig, Business Improvement Manager, Argyll and Bute HSCP
Paul MacAskill, Chief Internal Auditor, Argyll and Bute Council
Mhairi Weldon, Senior Audit Assistant, Argyll and Bute Council
Lynsey Innis, Senior Committee Assistant, Argyll and Bute Council
Gregory Odour, Audit Manager, Mazars LLP

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

3. AUDITED ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2022/23

The Committee gave consideration to a report presenting the Audited Annual Accounts of the Integration Joint Board for 2022-23. The report noted that the accounts had been subject to independent audit by the external auditors, Mazars, who had issued an unqualified audit report.

Decision

The Audit and Risk Committee –

1. Noted that Mazars had completed their audit of the annual accounts for 2022-23 and had issued an unqualified Independent Auditor's Report.

2. Considered the 2022/23 Annual Audit Report prepared by Mazars and management responses to their recommendations.
3. Approved the draft Letter of Management Representation and the Audited Accounts in advance of formal approval by the IJB.

(Reference: Report by Head of Finance and Transformation, dated 29 November 2023, submitted)

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Audit and Risk Committee noted that their next meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 19 December 2023.