

Meeting of: Audit & Accounts Committee

Date: 28th September 2022

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Council Chamber, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Bacup, OL13 0BB

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A waiting room will be in place and observers will be admitted to the meeting at approx. 6.30pm.

Supported by: Glenda Ashton, Committee and Member Services Officer Tel: 01706 252423

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ITEM		Lead Member/Contact Officer
A.	BUSINESS MATTERS	
A1.	Apologies for Absence	
A2.	Minutes of the last meeting To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 th July 2022	
A3.	Urgent Items of Business To note any items which the Chair has agreed to add to the Agenda on the grounds of urgency.	
A4.	Declarations of Interest <i>Members are advised to contact the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting to seek advice on interest issues if necessary.</i> Members are requested to indicate at this stage, any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Code of Conduct, they must declare the nature of any personal interest and, if the interest is prejudicial, withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the item.	Glenda Ashton, Committee and Member Services Officer Tel: 01706 252423 Email: glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk
B.	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	
B1.	Public Question Time Members of the public can register their question by contacting the Committee Officer. Groups with similar questions are advised to appoint and register a spokesperson.	Glenda Ashton, Committee and Member Services Officer

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	<p>This is an opportunity to ask a question about a matter which the Council may be able to assist with. A time limit of 3 minutes applies for each question and you are only able to address the meeting once.</p> <p>To register for public question time your question must be received no later than 12noon on the day of the meeting by emailing democracy@rossendalebc.gov.uk Please give your full name, telephone number and include a copy of your question.</p> <p>Please begin by giving your name and state whether you are speaking as an individual member of the public or as a representative of a group. (Question time normally lasts up to 30 minutes).</p>	<p>01706 252423 glendaashton@rossendalebc.gov.uk</p> <p>Please register an agenda related public question by emailing democracy@rossendalebc.gov.uk no later than 12noon on Wednesday 28th September 2022</p>
C.	<p>Chair's Update To receive communications from the Chair</p>	Councillor MacNae
D.	ORDINARY BUSINESS	
D1.	Corporate Risk Report Q1 2022/23	Karen Spencer, Chief Finance Officer 01706 252465 karens pencer@rossendalebc.gov.uk
D2.	Empty Homes Project Update	Neil Shaw, Chief Executive 01706 252447 neilshaw@rossendalebc.gov.uk
D3	Internal Audit Progress Report Quarter 2 2022/23	Mark Baskerville Lancashire County Council mark.baskerville@lancashire.gov.uk
E.	<p>EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS To consider passing the appropriate resolution under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business since it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information under Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act.</p>	
E1.	Standards Complaints Update (verbal)	Councillor MacNae
E2.	Whistleblowing update (verbal)	Councillor MacNae

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Neil Shaw". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Neil" being more prominent than the last name "Shaw".

Neil Shaw
Chief Executive

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