

BOROUGH OF BARROW-IN-FURNESS

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Meeting: Thursday, 29th July, 2021
at 2.00 pm (Banqueting Hall)

A G E N D A

PART ONE

1. Apologies for Absence/Attendance of Substitute Members.

2. Urgent Items

To note any items which the Chairman considers to be of an urgent nature.

3. Delegations

To receive notice from Members who may wish to move any delegated matter non-delegated and which will be decided by a majority of Members present and voting at the meeting.

4. Admission of Public and Press

To consider whether the public and press should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any of the items on the agenda.

5. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by Members and/or co-optees of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the revised Code of Conduct, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests or other registrable interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Members may however, also decide, in the interests of clarity and transparency, to declare at this point in the meeting, any such disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, as well as any other registrable or other interests.

6. Confirmation of Minutes 5 - 18

To confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th March, 2021.

7. Public Participation

Any member of the public who wishes to ask a question, make representations or present a deputation or petition at this meeting should apply to do so by no later than 5pm two working days before the meeting. Information on how to make the application can be obtained by viewing the Council's website www.barrowbc.gov.uk or by contacting the Democratic Services Team at (srushton@barrowbc.gov.uk) or by telephone on (01229 876321).

(1) Questions and Representations

To receive any questions or representations which have been received from members of the public

(2) Deputations and Petitions

To receive any deputations or petitions which have been received from members of the public.

8. Terms of Reference 19 - 24

To note the revised Terms of Reference for the Audit and Governance Committee.

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To note the Work Plan for 2021-2022.

(D) 10. Annual Audit Letter 2019-2020 33 - 52

To receive the Annual Audit Letter for 2019-2020.

(D) 11. Housing Benefit Assurance Process 2019-2020 53 - 78

To receive the Housing Benefit Assurance Process Report.

(D) 12. Draft Annual Governance Statement 79 - 102

To consider the draft Annual Governance Statement.

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To note the Internal Audit Annual Report.

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NOTE **(D) – Delegated**
 (R) – For Referral to Council

**Membership of Committee
Councillors**

Councillors Burns (Chairman)
 Callister
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