
GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2015

Present: Councillors Barnes-Andrews (Chair), Daunt, Inglis, Jordan, Noon, O'Neill and Keogh

23. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED: that the minutes for the Committee meeting on 9 November 2015 be approved and signed as a correct record.

24. **EXTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER**

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal Auditor detailing the External Auditors' Annual Audit letter for 2014/15.

25. **EXTERNAL AUDIT - PROGRESS REPORT**

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal Auditor updating the Committee on the external audit progress.

26. **SOUTHERN INTERNAL AUDIT PARTNERSHIP - EXTERNAL QUALITY ASSESSMENT**

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal Auditor detailing the External Quality Assessment of the Southern Internal Audit Partnership.

27. **INTERNAL AUDIT - PROGRESS REPORT**

The Committee noted the report of the Chief Internal Auditor setting out the Internal Audit Progress Report to the period November 2015 as attached.

28. **REVISIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION - TRANSFORMATION PROJECTS**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services seeking approval to make changes to the Constitution

RESOLVED

That the Committee considered the revisions to the constitution as set out in the report and made the follow comments:

- (i) That the figure of £5,000,000 was high and requested that evidence relating to the number and type of projects that would be delayed if the threshold be reviewed to a lower sum;
- (ii) That efforts be made to ensure that there was a greater involvement from Councillors in consultation. Committee recommended that the Leader of the Council always be consulted notwithstanding that he was part of the Transformation Information Board and that a group leaders meeting been convened to share information as required.
- (iii) That the Transformation Implementation Director provide details of the list in (i) above to Council on 16th December 2015.