

To the Chair and Members of the Audit and Governance Committee

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A meeting of the **AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE** will be held in the Rennes Room, Civic Centre, Paris Street, Exeter at **5.30 pm** on **WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE 2013** to consider the following business. If you have an enquiry regarding any items on this agenda, please contact Sharon Sissons, Democratic Services Officer (Committees) on **Exeter 265115**.

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AGENDA

Part I: Items suggested for discussion with the press and public present

1 APOLOGIES

To receive apologies for absence from Committee members.

2 MINUTES

To sign the minutes of Standards Committee held on 1 May 2013.

3 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors are reminded of the need to declare personal and prejudicial interests, including the nature and extent of such interests, in relation to business on the agenda, before any discussion takes place on the item. Councillors requiring clarification should seek the advice of the Monitoring Officer prior to the day of the meeting.

4 PRESENTATION ON THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

To note the Terms of Reference for the meeting.

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<u>AUDIT COMMITTEE UPDATE REPORT - JUNE 2013</u>

The Council's External Auditor, Grant Thornton, will present the Annual Progress 7 - 22 Report to Members – *report circulated*

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AUDIT PLAN 2012/13

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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Membership -

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Councillor Simon Bowkett (Chair), Councillors Baldwin (Deputy Chair), Branston, Choules, D J Henson, Laws, Leadbetter, Morris, Payne and Spackman

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