

Governance and Audit Committee



SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL

Wednesday, 23 July 2025 at 2.00 pm
Council Chamber - Council Offices, St. Peter's Hill,
Grantham. NG31 6PZ

Committee Members: Councillor Tim Harrison (Chairman)
Councillor Paul Wood (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Robert Leadenham, Councillor Bridget Ley, Councillor Rhea Rayside,
Councillor Rob Shorrocks, Councillor Paul Stokes, Councillor Mark Whittington and
Councillor Sue Woolley

Agenda

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1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Disclosure of interests**
Members are asked to disclose any interests in matters for consideration at the meeting.
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2025** (Pages 3 - 9)
4. **Internal Audit Progress Report** (Pages 11 - 22)
5. **Contract Procedure Rules Update** (Pages 23 - 66)
This report provides details of the proposed updates to the Councils Contract Procedure Rules
6. **General Fund Provisional Outturn** (Pages 67 - 85)
This report provides the Governance and Audit Committee with the details of the General Fund provisional outturn position for the financial year 2024/25. The report covering the revenue budget, Capital Programmes and Reserves overview.

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- 7. Housing Revenue Account Provisional Outturn Report 2024/25** (Pages 87 - 98)

This report provides the Governance and Audit Committee with the details of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) outturn position for the financial year 2024/25. The report covers the Revenue Budget, Capital Programmes and Reserves overview
- 8. Draft Annual Governance Statement 2024/25** (Pages 99 - 118)

To provide Governance and Audit Committee an opportunity to review the Draft Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 ahead of its inclusion within the Statement of Accounts.
- 9. Treasury Management Annual Report 2024/25** (Pages 119 - 130)
- 10. Treasury Management Report Quarter 1 2025/26** (Pages 131 - 138)

The Quarter 1 Report is a requirement of the Council's reporting procedures and provides a summary of the treasury activities to the end of December 2024. The report also covers the actual position to date on the Prudential Indicators in accordance with the Prudential Code).

The report meets the requirements of both the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management 2021 and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. The Council is required to comply with both Codes through Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.
- 11. Fraud Prevention and Whistleblowing Annual Report 2024/25** (Pages 139 - 147)

Annual report of whistleblowing arrangements in place and action taken as a result of whistleblowing disclosures
- 12. Work Programme 2025 - 2026** (Pages 149 - 152)

To consider the Committee's Work Programme for 2025 – 2026.
- 13. Any other business, which the chairman, by reasons of special circumstances, decides is urgent.**