

AUDIT COMMITTEE

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EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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Summary

This report summarises the content of the appendix which, in the opinion of the proper officer, contains exempt information within two of the categories in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. It is a matter for the Committee to determine whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of this document.

1. Recommendation

- 1.1 The Committee is required to decide whether to exclude the press and public during consideration of the following document because consideration of this matter in public would disclose information falling within one of the descriptions of exempt information contained in Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, as specified below, and, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption, outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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| Report Title | Irregularity Report |
| Agenda Item | Exempt Appendix to Item 16 |
| Summary | The exempt appendix provides details of a recent irregularity investigation. |
| Category of exempt information (Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972) | Not for publication under paragraphs 5 and 7 of part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 – Information in respect of which a claim to legal professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings and information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime. |

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Background Papers:

None