

466th meeting of the Accounts Commission for Scotland
Thursday 12 March 2020, 10.15am
in the offices of Audit Scotland, 102 West Port, Edinburgh

Agenda

1. **Apologies for absence.**
 2. **Declarations of interest.**
 3. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Commission will consider whether to take items 14 to 20 in private (* see note).
 4. **Minutes of meeting of 6 February 2020.**
 5. **Minutes of meeting of Financial Audit and Assurance Committee of 20 February 2020.**
 6. **Minutes of meeting of Performance Audit Committee of 20 February 2020.**
 7. **Update report by the Secretary to the Commission:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
 8. **Update report by the Controller of Audit:** The Commission will consider a verbal report by the Controller of Audit providing an update on his recent activity.
 9. **Local Government Benchmarking Framework: draft national benchmarking overview report 2018/19:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
 10. **Briefing: the 2020/21 budget:** The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
 11. **Accounts Commission and Auditor General for Scotland rolling work programme refresh: 2020/21 – 2024/25:** The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
 12. **Accounts Commission strategy refresh 2020-25:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
 13. **Statutory report: Renfrewshire Council:** The Commission will consider a report by the Controller of Audit.
- The following items are proposed to be considered in private: ***
14. **Statutory report: Renfrewshire Council:** The Commission will consider what action to take.
 15. **Local government in Scotland 2020: performance and challenges – draft report:** The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
 16. **Improving outcomes for young people through school education – draft report:** The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
 17. **Housing benefit overpayments in Scotland – a thematic study – draft report:** The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Audit Services.

18. **New audit appointments and Code of Audit Practice - update:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
19. **Value for money of audit service providers:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
20. **Commission business matters:** The Commission will discuss matters of interest.

* It is proposed that items 14 to 20 be considered in private because:

- Item 14 requires the Commission to consider actions in relation to a report by the Controller of Audit. The Commission is then obliged by statute to inform the appropriate council of its decisions, which the Commission does before making the decision public.
- Item 15 proposes a draft report, which the Commission is to consider in private before publishing.
- Item 16 proposes a draft performance audit report, which the Commission is to consider in private before publishing.
- Item 17 proposes a draft audit report, which the Commission is to consider in private before publishing.
- Item 18 requires the Commission to consider confidential commercial and contractual matters.
- Item 19 requires the Commission to consider confidential commercial and contractual matters.
- Item 20 may be required if there are any confidential matters that require to be discussed outwith the public domain. The Chair will inform the meeting in public at the start of the meeting if this item is required and what it covers.

The following papers are enclosed for this meeting:

Agenda item	Paper number
Agenda item 4: Minutes of meeting of 6 February 2020	AC.2020.3.1
Agenda item 5: Minutes of FAAC meeting of 20 February 2020	AC.2020.3.2
Agenda item 6: Minutes of PAC meeting of 20 February 2020	AC.2020.3.3
Agenda item 7: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.3.4
Agenda item 9: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.3.5
Agenda item 10: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.3.6
Agenda item 11: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.3.7
Agenda item 12: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.3.8
Agenda item 13: Report by Controller of Audit	AC.2020.3.9
Agenda item 15: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.3.10
Agenda item 16: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.3.11
Agenda item 17: Report by Director of Audit Services	AC.2020.3.12
Agenda item 18: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.3.13
Agenda item 19: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.3.14