

469th meeting of the Accounts Commission for Scotland

Thursday 11 June 2020, 10.15am & Thursday 18 June 2020, 10.15am by video conference

NB: This meeting will take place over two separate days (* These items will be considered on 18 June)

Agenda

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. Declarations of interest.
- 3. **Decisions on taking business in private:** The Commission will consider whether to take items 11 to 17 in private (** see note).
- 4. Minutes of meeting of 21 May 2020.
- 5. **Audit Scotland Board update.** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
- 6. **Update report by the Controller of Audit:** The Commission will consider a verbal report by the Controller of Audit.
- 7. **Best Value Assurance Report: North Ayrshire Council:** The Commission will consider a report by the Controller of Audit.
- * **Update report by the Secretary to the Commission:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
- 9. * Work programme update: The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
- 10. * **Draft annual report 2019/20:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.

The following items are proposed to be considered in private:

- 11. **Best Value Assurance Report: North Ayrshire Council.** The Commission will consider what action to take on the report.
- 12. **New audit appointments and Code of Audit Practice: update:** The Commission will consider a report by the Deputy Chair of the Commission.
- 13. **Commission strategy:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
- 14. **Planning Commission business:** The Commission will consider a report by the Secretary to the Commission.
- 15. * National Fraud Initiative draft Audit Scotland report: The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Audit Services.
- 16. * Performance audit: Digital progress in local government emerging messages: The Commission will consider a report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.
- 17. **Commission business matters:** The Commission will discuss matters of interest.

** It is proposed that items 11 to 17 be considered in private because:

- Item 11 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.
- Items 12 to 14 require the Commission to consider confidential commercial and contractual matters.
- Item 15 proposes a draft report which the Commission is to consider in private before it is published.
- Item 16 discuss the emerging messages from a performance audit report which may require consideration of confidential policy matters in advance of further audit work and subsequent publication.
- Item 17 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 21 May 2020	AC.2020.6.1
Agenda item 5:	
Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.6.2
Agenda item 7:	
Report by Controller of Audit	AC.2020.6.3
Agenda item 8:	
Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.6.4
Agenda item 9:	
Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.6.5
Agenda item 10:	
Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.6.6
Agenda item 12:	
Report by Deputy Chair	AC.2020.6.7
Agenda item 13:	
Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.6.8
Agenda item 14:	
Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2020.6.9
Agenda item 15:	
Report by Director of Audit Services	AC.2020.6.10
Agenda item 16:	
Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2020.6.11