

# Agenda

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## Audit and Governance Committee

Date: **Wednesday 23 May 2012**

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Time: **4.30 pm**

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Place: **Town Hall**

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# Audit and Governance Committee

## Membership

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Councillor Mike Rowley</b>	Barton and Sandhills;
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	<b>Councillor David Rundle</b> <b>Councillor Craig Simmons</b>	Headington; St. Mary's;
	<b>Councillor Tony Brett</b>	Carfax;
	<b>Councillor Mary Clarkson</b>	Marston;
	<b>Councillor Roy Darke</b>	Headington Hill and Northway;
	<b>Councillor James Fry</b>	North;

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## AGENDA

### Pages

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

The Quorum for this Committee is 3 and substitutes are permitted.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**3 ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2012/13**

The Committee will be asked to elect a Chair for the Council Year 2012/13.

**4 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2012/13**

The Committee will elect a Vice-Chair for the Council Year 2012/13.

**5 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The Committee will meet on the following dates at 6.00pm in the Town Hall:

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2012

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2012

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2013

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2013

## **DECLARING INTERESTS**

What is a personal interest?

You have a personal interest in a matter if that matter affects the well-being or financial position of you, your relatives or people with whom you have a close personal association more than it would affect the majority of other people in the ward(s) to which the matter relates.

A personal interest can affect you, your relatives or people with whom you have a close personal association positively or negatively. If you or they would stand to lose by the decision, you should also declare it.

You also have a personal interest in a matter if it relates to any interests, which you must register.

### **What do I need to do if I have a personal interest?**

You must declare it when you get to the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you. You may still speak and vote unless it is a prejudicial interest.

If a matter affects a body to which you have been appointed by the authority, or a body exercising functions of a public nature, you only need declare the interest if you are going to speak on the matter.

### **What is a prejudicial interest?**

You have a prejudicial interest in a matter if;

- a) a member of the public, who knows the relevant facts, would reasonably think your personal interest is so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest; and
- b) the matter affects your financial interests or relates to a licensing or regulatory matter; and
- c) the interest does not fall within one of the exempt categories at paragraph 10(2)(c) of the Code of Conduct.

### **What do I need to do if I have a prejudicial interest?**

If you have a prejudicial interest you must withdraw from the meeting. However, under paragraph 12(2) of the Code of Conduct, if members of the public are allowed to make representations, give evidence or answer questions about that matter, you may also make representations as if you were a member of the public. However, you must withdraw from the meeting once you have made your representations and before any debate starts.

