

Boston Borough Council

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Friday 3 October 2025

Notice of meeting of the Audit & Governance Committee

Dear Councillor

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Audit & Governance Committee on **Monday 13th October 2025** at **6.30 pm** in the Committee Room - Municipal Buildings, West Street, Boston, PE21 8QR

Rob Barlow Chief Executive

Membership:

Chairman: Councillor Barrie Pierpoint Vice-Chairman: Councillor James Cantwell

Councillors: Richard Austin BEM, Anton Dani, Anne Dorrian, Neil Drayton,

Andy Izard, Ralph Pryke, Lina Savickiene, David Scoot and

Stephen Woodliffe

Co-opted Independent

Members: Adam Cartwright and Gideon Hall

Members of the public are welcome to attend the committee meeting as observers except during the consideration of exempt or confidential items.

This meeting may be subject to being recorded.

Agenda

Part I - Preliminaries

A Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence.

B Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

C Minutes (Pages 1 - 12)

To sign and confirm the minutes of the last meeting.

D Actions (Pages 13 - 16)

To note the actions from the previous meeting.

E Public Questions

To answer any written questions received from members of the public no later than 5 p.m. two clear working days prior to the meeting – for this meeting the deadline is 5 p.m. on Wednesday 8th October 2025.

Part II - Agenda Items

1 External Auditors Progress Report 2024/2025

(Verbal Report)

(A verbal update by KPMG)

2 Internal Audit Progress Report - September 2025

(Pages 17 - 30)

(A report by Mark Harrison, Audit Manager – Lincolnshire County Council)

3 Internal Audit Charter

(Pages 31 - 38)

(A report by Mark Harrison, Audit Manager – Lincolnshire County Council)

4 Quarter 1 25/26 Risk Report

(Pages 39 - 52)

(A report by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer)

5 Q1 Treasury Report 2025/26

(Pages 53 - 70)

(A report by Brendan Arnold, Interim Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

6 Work Programme

(Pages 71 - 72)

(For Members to consider the Committee's work programme.)

Notes:

Please contact Democratic Services (<u>demservices@boston.gov.uk</u>) if you have any queries about the agenda and documents for this meeting.

Council Members who are not able to attend the meeting should notify Democratic Services as soon as possible.

Alternative Versions

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