



Boston Borough Council

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Friday 7 November 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 17th November 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 - 8)

To sign and confirm the minutes of the last meeting.

D Actions (Pages 9 - 12)

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 12th November 2025.

Part II - Agenda Items

1 External Audit Completion Report 2024/2025 (ISA260) (Pages 13 - 66)

(A report by KPMG, External Auditors)

2 External Auditor's Annual Report 2024/25 (Pages 67 - 90)

(A report by KPMG, External Auditors)

3 Financial Statements 2024/25 (Pages 91 - 200)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

4 Annual Governance Statement - Action Plan Update (Pages 201 - 202)

(A briefing note by John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance and Monitoring Officer)

5 Quarter 2 25/26 Risk Report (Pages 203 - 220)

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

6 2025/26 Mid-Term Treasury Report (Pages 221 - 242)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

7 Counter Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Policy (Pages 243 - 260)

(A report by Russell Stone, Director of Finance (S151 Officer))

8 Proposed Amendments to the Council's Contract Procedure Rules (Pages 261 - 322)

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

9 Information Governance Annual Update 2024/25 (Pages 323 - 330)

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

10 Work Programme

(Pages 331 - 332)

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

Notes:

Please contact Democratic Services (demservices@boston.gov.uk) 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.

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