

Finance and Resources Committee 30 July 2009

Committee representative at Audit Committee meetings

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

In 2006, the Finance and Resources Committee agreed that its accountant member should observe the meetings of the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee also agreed that its accountant member should observe the meetings of the Finance and Resources Committee.

The intention of the proposed arrangement was to ensure that there was no overlap or conflict between the committees when decisions were taken.

The arrangement has worked well in practice and it is proposed that the arrangement should continue under the restructured Council.

Decision

The Committee is asked to nominate a representative to observe the meetings of the Audit Committee.

Background information

Standing order 20(2) provides that 'The Secretary or any other person advising on the business before a meeting of the Committee (including advising the Chair on issues of order) may attend and, with the consent of the Chair, speak at that meeting.'

The Audit Committee will be asked to nominate a representative at its meeting on 29 September 2009.

Resource implications

None.

Financial implications

Attendance allowance and expenses.

Appendices

None.

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