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AUDIT & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

A Meeting of the AUDIT & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, Teesdale House, Galgate, Barnard Castle, on MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2008 at 1pm

AGENDA

1 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

The Chairman will announce whether he has been notified of any items of urgent business which he has agreed are of sufficient urgency that they should be considered at this meeting. The Chairman will indicate, in general terms, the nature of any urgent business and at what point in the agenda it will be considered.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to consider whether they might have a personal or a prejudicial interest in any matter included on the agenda for this meeting. If so, it is requested that any such interest be declared now. If subsequently, during consideration of any matter, it becomes apparent to any member that he/she does, indeed, have an interest, it should then be declared immediately.

3 MINUTES

Meeting held on 28 July 2008, attached

4 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Report of the Chief Governance Officer, attached

5 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT: SIGNIFICANT GOVERNANCE ISSUES - PROGRESS UPDATE

Report of the Chief Governance Officer, to follow

6 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN UPDATE

Report of the Audit Manager, Durham County Council, attached

7 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Report of the Chief Finance Officer, to follow

CHIEF GOVERNANCE OFFICER (MONITORING OFFICER)

Councillors:

DP Blackie B Harrison
PM Charlton J Priestley
MWL Hamilton WHT Salvin

DW Armstrong KM Mitchell

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