

AGENDA ITEM NO: 5(iii)

Meeting of the **AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE** of the Teesdale District Council
held at Teesdale House, Galgate, Barnard Castle on
MONDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2008 at 5.00 pm

PRESENT:

Councillors: PM Charlton, MWL Hamilton, B Harrison and WHT Salvin (Chair)

Independent Member(s):

KM Mitchell

Also present: S Reeve – Audit Commission

Officers in Attendance:

J McMahon (Corporate Accountancy Manager), A Wallage (Durham County Council – Audit Manager), J Horsman (Trainee Auditor), D Roberts (Democratic Services Manager)

27 ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

There were no items of urgent business.

28 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest

29 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2008 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

30 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN UPDATE

The Audit Manager submitted a report updating members on the progress made against the revised internal audit plan for 2008/09. It was noted that the only audit outstanding from 2007/08, relating to procurement, was being finalised and would be reported to the next meeting of the Committee. A review of the Council Tax system had been completed and was appended to the report, together with a summary of progress against the agreed core audit plan for 2008/09. Members considered those high and medium ranked audit recommendations which were overdue.

RESOLVED:

That the report be received and the fact that the recommendation in relation to excess car parking tickets remained unresolved be noted with concern.

31 BUDGETARY CONTROL UPDATE (Minute 18)

The Chief Finance Officer presented an update, pursuant to the above minute, on the rate of return of budgetary control information by budget mangers.

RESOLVED:

That the rate of return of budgetary control information for the period ended 30 September 2008 be noted.

The meeting closed at 5.30pm

CHAIRMAN