County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority



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### Local Government Act 1972

A Meeting of the Combined Fire Authority for County Durham and Darlington Audit and Finance Committee will be held in the County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters on Wednesday 27 November 2024 at 10.00 am to consider the following business:-

## PART A

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 26 September 2024 (Pages 3 6)
- 3. Internal Audit Progress Report Report of the head of internal audit (Pages 7 12)
- 4. Corporate Governance Action Plan Update Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 13 18)
- 5. Corporate Risk Register Position as at 31 October 2024 Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 19 26)
- 6. Forecast of Outturn 2024/25 Quarter 2 Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 27 34)
- 7. Short-Term Investments and Long Term Borrowing Quarter 2 -Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 35 - 36)
- 8. 2025/26 Budget and Medium Term Financial Plan Report of the Deputy Chief Executive (Pages 37 42)
- 9. County Durham and Darlington Fire and Rescue Authority Audit Progress Report November 2024 (Pages 43 - 58)
- 10. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgent to warrant consideration
- 11. Any resolution relating to the exclusion of the public during the discussion of items containing exempt information

#### PART B

# Items during which it is considered the meeting will not be open to the public (consideration of exempt or confidential information)

- 12. Outstanding Audit Recommendations Quarter ended 30 September 2024 Report of Head of Internal Audit (Pages 59 64)
- 13. Such other business as, in the opinion of the Chairman of the meeting, is of sufficient urgent to warrant consideration

**PURSUANT** to the provisions of the above named Act, **I HEREBY SUMMON YOU** to attend the said meeting

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Helen Bradley Clerk to the Combined Fire Authority for County Durham and Darlington

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TO: The Members of the Combined Fire Authority for County Durham and Darlington Audit and Finance Committee

**Durham County Councillors:** Councillors R Bell, A Batey, B Kellett, N Jones and J Cairns

#### **Darlington Borough Councillors:**

Councillors A Anderson