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MEETING OF AUDIT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock, G46 6UG on **Thursday, 21 November at 2.00pm.**

The agenda of business is as listed below.

Yours faithfully

Louise Pringle

**LOUISE PRINGLE
DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are requested to give notice of any declarations of interest in respect of items of business on the Agenda.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

4. BREAKFAST CART SERVICE AT NEILSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL AND RELATED ISSUES – CLARIFICATION

Report by Clerk (copy attached, pages 3 – 6).

5. INTERIM TREASURY MANAGEMENT REPORT 2024/25 – QUARTER 2

Report by Head of Finance (copy attached, pages 7 – 22).

6. SUMMARY OF EARLY RETIREMENT / REDUNDANCY COSTS TO 31 MARCH 2024

Report by Director of Business Operations and Partnerships (copy attached, pages 23 - 26).

7. NATIONAL FRAUD INITIATIVE – UPDATE

Report by Director of Business Operations and Partnerships (copy attached, pages 27 – 30).

8. MANAGING THE RISK OF FRAUD AND CORRUPTION – FRAUD RESPONSE STATEMENT 2023/24

Report by Chief Executive (copy attached, pages 31 – 36).

9. NATIONAL EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT – TACKLING DIGITAL EXCLUSION

Report by Clerk (copy attached, pages 37 – 44).

10. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024/25 – IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS – JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2024 (QUARTER 2)

Report by Chief Auditor (copy attached, pages 45 – 60).

A recording of the Committee meeting will be available following the meeting on the Council's YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/user/eastrenfrewshire/videos>

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