

Audit Committee

Agenda

Monday 1 December 2025 at 7.00 pm

145 King Street (Ground Floor), Hammersmith, W6 9XY

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MEMBERSHIP

Administration	Opposition			
Councillor Patrick Walsh (Chair) Councillor Lisa Homan Councillor Callum Nimmo	Councillor Adrian Pascu-Tulbure (Conservative) Councillor David Morton (Independent)			
Co-opted Independent Member				
Charlotte Moar				

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Members of the public are welcome to attend, but spaces are limited so please contact Debbie.Yau@lbhf.gov.uk if you'd like to attend. The building has disabled access.

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

If a Councillor has a disclosable pecuniary interest in a particular item, whether or not it is entered in the Authority's register of interests, or any other significant interest which they consider should be declared in the public interest, they should declare the existence and, unless it is a sensitive interest as defined in the Member Code of Conduct, the nature of the interest at the commencement of the consideration of that item or as soon as it becomes apparent.

At meetings where members of the public are allowed to be in attendance and speak, any Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest or other significant interest may also make representations, give evidence or answer questions about the matter. The Councillor must then withdraw immediately from the meeting before the matter is discussed and any vote taken.

Where Members of the public are not allowed to be in attendance and speak, then the Councillor with a disclosable pecuniary interest should withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is under consideration. Councillors who have declared other significant interests should also withdraw from the meeting if they consider their continued participation in the matter would not be reasonable in the circumstances and may give rise to a perception of a conflict of interest.

Councillors are not obliged to withdraw from the meeting where a dispensation to that effect has been obtained from the Standards Committee.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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This item contains exempt information. Discussion of them will require passing the proposed resolution at the end of the agenda to exclude members of the public and press.

To approve the minutes and exempt minutes of the meeting on 27 October 2025 as accurate record.

4. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE - MUNICIPAL YEAR 16 - 22 2024/25

This report summarises the work of Audit Committee over the municipal year 2024/25, i.e. from May 2024 to April 2025.

5. CORPORATE ANTI-FRAUD SERVICE HALF-YEAR PROGRESS 23 - 35 REPORT - 1 APRIL 2025 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

This report summarises key anti-fraud activities and achievements for the first half of 2025/26, highlighting measures taken to reduce fraud risk to the Council.

6. CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNUAL UPDATE 2024/25

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This report highlights the Council's Health & Safety Management arrangements, activities and performance for the financial year 2024/25.

7. MID-YEAR TREASURY MANAGEMENT REVIEW 2025/26

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This report provides an update on the implementation (six months to 30 September 2025) of the 2025/26 Treasury Management Strategy, approved by Full Council on 26 February 2025, and presents the Treasury Management Strategy 2025/26 mid-year review.

8. DIGITAL SERVICES CYBER-SECURITY UPDATE

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This report contains exempt information. Discussion of the report will require passing the proposed resolution at the end of the agenda to exclude members of the public and press.

This report is a six-monthly update provided by Digital Services on Hammersmith & Fulham's cyber-security readiness.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To note the date of next meeting:

• 16 March 2026

10. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

Proposed resolution:

The Committee is invited to resolve, under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, that the public and press be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the exempt items of business, on the grounds that they contain the likely disclosure of exempt information, as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the said Act, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption currently outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.