



Audit, Governance & Standards Committee

Tue 3 Nov
2026
6.30 pm

 **Redditch**
Borough Council
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Oakenshaw Community Centre,
Castleditch Lane, B98 7YB

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PUBLIC SPEAKING

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Notes:

Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when Council might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded.

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Oakenshaw Community
Centre, Castleditch Lane,
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Agenda

Membership:

Cllrs:

David Meredith
(Chair)
Roger Bennett
(Vice-Chair)
Joe Baker
Joanna Kane

Jen Snape
Jane Spilsbury
Rita Rogers
Ian Woodall
Co-opted Member:
Parish Cllr Alan Smith
1 vacant seat

1. Apologies and Named Substitutes

2. Declarations of Interest

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and/or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

3. Minutes (Pages 5 - 20)

The minutes of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee meeting of 23rd July 2026 will be considered at this meeting.

4. Public Speaking

Members of the public have an opportunity to speak at meetings of the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee. In order to do so, members of the public must register to speak by midday two working days prior to the date of the meeting. A maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated to public speaking.

5. Monitoring Officer's Report - Standards Regime (Pages 21 - 28)

6. Feckenham Parish Council Representative's Report - Standards Regime

To receive a verbal report from the Feckenham Parish Council Representative on Parish Council's standards matters.

7. Annual Update Report on Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) (Pages 29 - 78)

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- 8. Annual Statistics from Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman**
(Pages 79 - 88)
- 9. External Audit Progress Report and Sector Update** (Pages 89 - 146)
- 10. Internal Audit Progress Report** (Pages 147 - 162)
- 11. Financial Compliance Report** (Pages 163 - 174)
- 12. Annual Governance Statement 2025/26 Action Plan Update** (Pages 175 - 194)
- 13. Risk Champion Update**
- 14. Risk Management Report (Q2 2026-27)** (Pages 195 - 214)
- 15. Audit, Governance and Standards Committee Procedure Rules** (Pages 215 - 246)
- 16. Audit, Governance and Standards Committee Self-Assessment** (Pages 247 - 270)
- 17. Committee Work Programme** (Pages 271 - 272)