

## LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL

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### ***Audit Committee***

Minutes of the Meeting of Louth County Council Audit Committee held in Mellifont Room, County Hall, Dundalk on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at 2.30 p.m.

**In attendance:** Dr. Philip Byrne (Chairman)  
Mr. Richard Bowden  
Councillor Conor Keelan  
Councillor Kevin Callan  
Ms. Emer O’Gorman, Director of Services, LCC  
Ms. Susan Deery, Staff Officer, LCC

**Apologies:** Mr. Billy Doyle  
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#### **1. Work Plan for 2017**

This was not discussed due to limitations on time. This will be included on the March Agenda.

#### **2. Corporate Risk Strategy**

Ms. Emer O’Gorman, Director of Services presented the Corporate Risk Strategy to the group and confirmed that the report was compiled through management workshops facilitated by Ms. Rosemary Ryan and included guidance from the IPA and Capita.

It was agreed that Mr. Joe McGuinness, Director of Services would present to the Audit Committee with regard to his particular business area at the March meeting.

Cllr. Callan raised a query relating to agreements recently signed with three local solicitors. Emer stated she would check previous minutes and audit reports and will report at the next meeting.

Philip informed the group he sits on a “Local Government Corporate Governance Advisory Group” and agreed he would keep the committee informed of future developments. He also advised that he has a 10 page report on the roles and responsibilities of Directors on Boards and would circulate to the committee.

Emer is to check if there is a fraud policy in place in Louth County Council and circulate to the committee.

**3. AoB**

It was agreed that the Director of Corporate Services will attend all audit committee meetings in the future.

It was agreed that the following will be on the March agenda:

1. Corporate Risk Strategy
2. Presentation from Mr. Joe McGuinness, Director of Services
3. Section 60 report
4. Mr. Alan Davidson to update the committee on 2016 audits
5. Work Programme 2017

That concluded the business of the meeting.

Confirmed at Meeting held on : \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Meetings Administrator \_\_\_\_\_