

Council Offices, Almada Street Hamilton, ML3 0AA

12 June 2013

Dear Councillor

# **Risk and Audit Scrutiny Forum**

The Members listed below are requested to attend a meeting of the above Forum to be held as follows:-

Date:Tuesday 18 June 2013Time:11:00amVenue:Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton

The business to be considered at the meeting is listed overleaf.

Yours sincerely

Lindsay Freeland Chief Executive

#### Members

Ralph Barker, Archie Buchanan, Graeme Campbell, Angela Crawley, Isobel Dorman, Susan Kerr, Gerard Killen, Lesley McDonald, Brian McKenna

### 1 Declaration of Interests

### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of the Risk and Audit Scrutiny Forum hold on 23 April 2013 submitted for approval as a correct record. (Copy attached) Page(s) 1 to 4

#### Item(s) for Consideration

- 3 Internal Audit Activity as at 30 April 2013 Report dated 22 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 5 to 10 Internal Audit Charter 4 Report dated 22 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 11 to 18 **2012 National Fraud Initiative** 5 Report dated 22 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 19 to 28 6 Shared Risk Assessment - Assurance and Improvement Plan 2013/2016 Report dated 16 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 29 to 46 Audit Scotland Report 'Responding to Challenges and Change - An Overview of 7 Local Government in Scotland 2013' Report dated 16 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 47 to 62 8 Audit Scotland - Audit of Housing and Council Tax Benefits Service Report dated 4 June 2013 by the Executive Director (Housing and Technical Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 63 to 74 9 Annual Governance Statement 2012/2013 Report dated 13 May 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 75 to 84 10 Interim Management Letter for Year Ending 31 March 2013 Document dated 28 March 2013 by PricewaterhouseCoopers, External Auditor. (Copy attached) Page(s) 85 to 88 11 Follow-up of Prior Year Audit Recommendations 2012/2013 Document dated May 2013 by PricewaterhouseCoopers, External Auditor. (Copy attached) Page(s) 89 to 100
- 12 Forward Programme for Future Meetings Report dated 4 June 2013 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources). (Copy attached) Page(s) 101 to End

## **Urgent Business**

## 13 Urgent Business

Any other items of business which the Chair decides are urgent.

For further information, please contact:-Pauline MacRae on 01698 454108 pauline.macrae@southlanarkshire.gov.uk