

475th meeting of the Accounts Commission for Scotland

**Thursday 14 January 2021, 9.30am
by video conference**

**(* to be considered on 28 January, 9.30am
by video conference)**

Agenda

1. Apologies for absence

2. Declarations of interest

3. Order of business

The Chair seeks approval of business, including proposing taking items 10 to 15 in private (** see note).

Business requiring decisions in public

4. Minutes of meeting of 10 and 17 December 2020

5. Strategy and work programme: Audit Scotland response to Commission themes and priorities

Report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.

6. Climate change: internal briefing and developing plan

Report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.

Business for information in public

7. Secretary's update report

Report by the Secretary.

8. Interim Chair's update report

Report by the Interim Chair.

9. Controller of Audit report

Report by the Controller of Audit.

Business requiring decisions in private

10. Local government overview 2021: emerging messages

Report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.

11. * Performance audit – Education outcomes: draft report

Report by the Director of Performance Audit and Best Value.

12. Best Value update

Report by the Secretary.

Business for information in private

13. **Audit Scotland update**

Verbal update from the Chief Operating Officer.

14. **Strategic Scrutiny Group update**

Report by the Secretaries to Strategic Scrutiny Group

Any other business

15. **Any other business**

The Chair will advise if there is any other business to be considered by the Commission.

** It is proposed that items 10 to 15 be considered in private because:

- Item 10 requires the Commission to consider emerging messages from a performance audit report which may require consideration of confidential audit matters in advance of further audit work.
- Item 11 proposes a draft performance audit report which the Commission is to consider in private before publishing.
- Item 12 requires the Commission to consider confidential policy matters.
- Item 13 requires the Commission to consider confidential business matters.
- Item 14 requires the Commission to consider confidential policy matters.
- Item 15 (AOB) may be required if there are any confidential matters that require to be discussed outwith the public domain. The Interim Chair will inform the meeting in public at the start of the meeting if this item is required and what it covers.

The following papers are enclosed for this meeting:

Agenda item	Paper number
Agenda item 4: Minutes of meeting of 10 and 17 December 2020	AC.2021.1.1
Agenda item 5: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2021.1.2
Agenda item 6: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2021.1.3
Agenda item 7: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2021.1.4
Agenda item 8: Report by Interim Chair	AC.2021.1.5
Agenda item 9: Report by Controller of Audit	AC.2021.1.6
Agenda item 10: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2021.1.7
Agenda item 11: Report by Director of Performance Audit and Best Value	AC.2021.1.8
Agenda item 12: Report by Secretary to the Commission	AC.2021.1.9
Agenda item 14: Report by Secretaries to Strategic Scrutiny	AC.2021.1.10