



COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR: 15 FEBRUARY 2024

COMMITTEE DECISION REPORT

AUDIT AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 8 FEBRUARY 2024

At its meeting on 8 February 2024, the Audit and Scrutiny Committee considered the business referred to below. The Committee has approved the recommendations detailed for approval by the Comhairle. Where the Committee has exercised delegated powers or used the conditional delegation provisions for any item, this is stated.

Items marked with an asterisk* were considered with the press and public excluded from the Meeting.

<i>Item Title</i>	<i>Agenda Number</i>	<i>Committee's Decision</i>
Minute of Meeting of 30 November 2023	1	The Minute of Meeting of 30 November 2023 was approved.
Declaration of Interest	2	There were no declarations of interest.
Best Value Assurance Report – Action Plan Progress Update	3	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle: (1) note the progress against the BVAR Action Plan; and (2) note that a further progress update would be provided on completion of the action plan.
Best Value – Continuous Improvement Action Plan	4	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle: (1) note the Continuous Improvement Action Plan performance review; and (2) scrutinise the key findings summarised in the main body of the Report.
Public Service Improvement Framework (PSIF) Review	5	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the updated PSIF Framework.
Scottish Public Service Ombudsman – Annual Statistics 2022/2023	6	It was agreed to recommend that the Annual statistics provided by the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman, in respect of complaints to the SPSO about the Comhairle, be noted.
Reporting Concerns at Work – Annual Report 2023	7	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
External Audit – Fee Setting Framework	8	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.

Internal Progress 2023/24	Audit Report	9	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Human Resources – Core Activities		10	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Islands Deal – Comhairle Governance Arrangements		11	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.
Reports Outstanding		12	It was agreed to recommend that the Comhairle note the Report.