

WIRRAL COUNCIL

AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

30 SEPTEMBER 2008

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

MEMBERS TRAINING

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1. Two basic Members training sessions for 2008-09 have been held on 2 June 2008 and 29 July 2008. The Committee is now requested to agree to a more advanced training session proposed to be held on 8 October 2008.

2. TRAINING REQUIREMENT

- 2.1. It is recommended best practice that Members of Audit Committees receive specific training in their role. This has usually been undertaken by one of the authors of 'Audit Committees – Practical Guidance for Local Authorities' conducting two training sessions per annum.
- 2.2. For 2008-09 these training sessions took place on 2 June 2008 and 29 July 2008. Because the attendance at the second training session was significantly different to that at the first session the trainer presented the initial training course again. At this session a number of Members requested that an additional date be arranged for the more advanced training session. Therefore a more advanced session has been arranged for 8 October 2008.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. The cost of the training session will be met from the Members Training budget.

4. STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

5. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

6. COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

7. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

8. LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

8.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

9. PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

9.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

10. MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS

10.1. There are none arising directly from this report.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1. There were none used in the preparation of this report.

12. RECOMMENDATION

12.1. That Members agree to an advanced training session on 8 October 2008.

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DIRECTOR OF FINANCE.

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