

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Audit, Risk and Scrutiny
DATE	26 November 2015
DIRECTOR	Richard Ellis (Interim)
TITLE OF REPORT	Development of Elected Members – Update
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the training for all elected members, since the last meeting of 29 September 2015.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

that the Committee note the content of the report.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications – all training is being provided in house.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Staff in democratic services, finance, customer service and performance, human resources, internal audit are contributing to, and delivering training.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

5.1 On 2 November 2015, five Councillors attended training relating to Risk Management. The Overview of Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee Session due on 2 November was postponed and another suitable date would be arranged.

5.2 Sessions to cover an overview of the internal audit control environment, and the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee's role in terms of questioning the reports it receives from internal audit on the internal control environment and an overview of the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee's responsibilities in terms of the financial reporting statements of Council are still to be arranged.

6. IMPACT

Developing members' roles in the Audit, Risk and Scrutiny Committee will strengthen the scrutiny and risk management arrangements of Council.

7. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

It is important that members are in a position to properly scrutinise committee papers and have a clear understanding of their responsibilities around risk management. This report seeks to address this and improve members' confidence and competency in these areas.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Designing a Positive Framework Governance with Arms Length External Organisations – Audit and Risk Committee 27 February 2014

9. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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