

Summary of responses asked to questions put to Elected Members about the Audit Committee

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	Responses from Elected Members		
1.	Yes, I read them all.	Every time an elected member asks a question in public about a particular report for noting or decision then this is scrutinising the report. It would not be practical to refer to every instance but if members of partnerships and service committees focus on specific aspects then these could be referenced.	Yes it does. However, recent experience also suggests that key information was left out of Internal Audit Report to the Audit Committee which meant that elected members and lay members of the committee did not receive the full details and its findings. This has the potential to undermine confidence in the Audit Committee as without the full details being presented, the committee is unable to scrutinize fully.

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2.	Yes.	No.	I think the length of time the recent high profile audit report does not fill you with confidence. I fully appreciate many issues were out with control of Auditors e.g. HR and Police Scotland but any delay or non-cooperation should have been reported and allow the Committee to make recommendations.
3.	Yes.	No, I feel the Audit Committee's agenda reflects adequately the Council's position and risk going forward.	Yes, I do feel I receive an appropriate level of assurance from the Audit Committee.
4.	Yes, I do of course read the reports submitted to the Audit Committee.	I am satisfied that the agenda includes the areas and subject matters which I would expect of the Audit Committee.	The Audit Committee does provide the necessary level of assurance in allowing me to fulfil my responsibilities as an Elected

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5.	Yes.	Yes, I am not happy that Elected Members cannot see redacted information when Council officials can.	Yes.