

Audit & Governance Committee

Tuesday, 26th October, 2021

6.00 pm

Library - Rooms 1 & 2, Entrance via Northgate

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Apologies

To welcome those present to the meeting and to receive any apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

A form is attached for completion by Members declaring an interest in items on the agenda.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FORM

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3. Minutes of the meeting held on 29th June 2021

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 29th June 2021.

Minutes - 29th June 2021

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4. Corporate Annual Report on Health & Safety 2020/21

The Strategic Head of Human Resources & Engagement will provide the Committee with the 2020/21 Annual Health and Safety Report.

Annual Management Report - Health and Safety

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5. External Audit - Audit Plan 2020/21

The Council's External Auditors will provide the Committee with a report on their plan for the 2020/21 statutory audit.

Final Audit Plan 2020-21

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6. External Audit Fees 2020/21

The Director of Finance will provide the Committee with a report on the External Auditors fees for 2020/21 and the

impact of the new audit requirements on the work required on the annual accounts and external audit.

Report on External Audit Fees 2020-21 **39 - 47**
Appendix A - LG audit 2020-21 - Fees, Audit Scope and Additional work

7. Response to the External Auditors Request for Information

The Director of Finance will provide the Committee with a report on how the Audit & Governance Committee gains assurance from management.

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Appendix 1 - BwD PSA Informing the audit risk assessment 2020-21

8. Arrangements for the Appointment of the External Auditor

The Director of Finance will provide the Committee with a report on an invitation received from Public Sector Audit Appointments to become an opted in authority to the national auditor appointment arrangements for the audit years 2023/24 to 2027/28 in its role as a specified appointing person.

PSAA Opt-in Invitation **88 - 90**

9. Treasury Management Report - June to August 2021

The Director of Finance will provide the Committee with a report on Treasury Management activity including a Mid-Year Strategy Review for 2021/22.

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Appendix 6 - Treasury Management Mid-Year Strategy Review

10. Audit & Assurance - Progress & Outcomes to September 2021

The Head of Audit & Assurance will report on progress and outcomes achieved within Audit & Assurance.

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11. Risk Management - 2021/22 Quarter 1 Review

The Head of Audit & Assurance will provide the Committee with a report on Risk Management.

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**PART 2 - THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC MAY BE
EXCLUDED DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE
FOLLOWING ITEMS.**

There are no Part 2 items.

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