



**Service Director – Legal, Governance and
Commissioning**

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Decision Summary

Committee:
AUDIT COMMITTEE
Date:
Committee Clerk:
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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND
FRIDAY 26 JULY 2019
Andrea Woodside
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Chair

Councillor Will Simpson

Councillors Attended

Councillor Kath Pinnock
Councillor Steve Hall
Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies
Councillor Susan Lee-Richards

Ex-Officio Members

Councillor Elizabeth Smaje
Councillor Paul Davies

1 Membership of the Committee

This is where Councillors who are attending as substitutes will say for whom they are attending.

All Committee Members were present.

2 Interests

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the

items, or any other interests.

No interests were declared.

3 Admission of the Public

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

It was noted that Agenda Item 10 would be considered in private session.

4 Deputations/Petitions

The Committee will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

None received.

5 Public Question Time

The Committee will hear any questions from the general public.

No questions were asked.

6 External Audit Report

To receive the External Audit report.

Contact: Marianne Dixon, Grant Thornton External Audit

That the External Audit Findings Report, for Year end March 2019, be received and noted.

7 Approval of Final Accounts 2018-19

To consider the report.

Contact: Eamonn Croston, Finance Director

- (1) That the 2018/2019 Statement of Accounts, incorporating the Annual Governance Statement as attached at Appendix A to the considered report, be approved and that the Chair be authorised to certify the Statement of Responsibilities, as set out within the report.
- (2) That the Letter of Representation, as attached at Appendix B to the considered report, be signed by the Chair, on behalf of the Committee.

8 Quarterly Report of Internal Audit 2019/20 - Quarter 1

To receive the report.

Contact: Martin Dearnley, Head of Audit and Risk

That the Internal Audit Quarterly Report 2019/2020 (Quarter 1) be received and noted.

9 Exclusion of the Public

To resolve that under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

That acting under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as specifically stated in the undermentioned Minute.

10 Quarterly Report of Internal Audit 2019/20 - Quarter 1

This report is recommended for consideration in private because the information contained in it is exempt information within part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 namely that the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information and providing greater openness in the Council's decision making.

Exempt appendix in relation to Agenda Item 8.

Contact: Martin Dearnley, Head of Audit and Risk

That the Internal Audit Quarterly Report 2019/2020 (Quarter 1) be received and noted.

