



Audit committee

Date: Tuesday, 11 July 2023

Time: 16:30

Venue: Mancroft room, City Hall, St Peters Street, Norwich, NR2 1NH

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Agenda

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1 Appointment of Vice Chair

To appoint a vice chair for the ensuing civic year

2 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence

3 Public questions/petitions

To receive questions / petitions from the public which have been submitted in accordance with the council's constitution.

4 Declarations of interest

(Please note that it is the responsibility of individual members to declare an interest prior to the item if they arrive late for the meeting)

5 Minutes

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To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2023

6 Annual Report on Counter Fraud Arrangements

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Purpose - The purpose of this report is to provide the Audit Committee with assurance on the arrangements the Council has in place to counter the risk of fraud activity, and those activities planned to strengthen the arrangements over the next year.

7 Internal Audit Progress Update 2022/23 - To follow

Purpose - This report reviews the work performed by

Internal Audit in delivering the Annual Internal Audit Plan for 2022/23

8 Internal Audit Annual Report and Opinion 2022-23 - To follow

Purpose - In line with the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards, which came into force from 1 April 2013; an annual opinion should be generated which concludes of the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the organisational framework of governance, risk management and control.

9 Draft Annual Governance Statement 2022-23 23 - 50

Purpose - The purpose of this report is to provide opportunity for the Audit Committee to review the draft Annual Governance Statement for 2022-23 prior to consideration by the Council's External Auditors.

10 Draft Statement of Accounts 2022-23 51 - 194

Purpose - The purpose of this report is to note the production of the draft Statement of Accounts 2022/23

11 Annual report of the Audit committee 2022-23 195 - 210

Purpose - This report presents the draft Annual Report of the Audit Committee 2022/23 appended at Appendix A to the committee for comment.

12 Work Programme 211 - 218

Purpose - This report sets out the committee's work programme to fulfil its terms of reference as set out in the council's constitution and agreed by council.

13 Exclusion of the public

Consideration of exclusion of the public.

EXEMPT ITEMS:

(During consideration of these items the meeting is not likely to be open to the press and the public.)

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part 1 of Schedule 12 A of the Local Government Act 1972 or it being confidential for the purposes of Section 100A(2) of that Act.

In each case, members are asked to decide whether, in all circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption (and discussing the matter in private) outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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14 Cyber Security Update

- This report is not for publication because it would disclose information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) as in para 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

15 Annual Report on Counter Fraud Arrangements Exempt Appendix B

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