



NORWICH
City Council

Audit committee

Date: Tuesday, 21 November 2023

Time: 16:30

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

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Agenda

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1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence

2 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)

3 Public questions/petitions

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

4 Minutes

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To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2023

5 Draft Annual Governance Statement 2022/23

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Purpose - The purpose of this report is to seek the endorsement of the Audit Committee to the draft Annual Governance Statement, 2022/23, prior to its inspection by external audit.

6 Draft Statement of Accounts 2022/23

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Purpose - To provide a copy of the draft Accounts 2022/23.

7 Internal Audit Progress November 2023

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Purpose - This report reviews the work performed by Internal Audit in delivering the Annual Internal Audit Plan for 2023/24.

8 Learning lessons from failings in other authorities

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Purpose - At its meeting in July, the Audit Committee requested a report outlining how the Council was learning lessons from failures in other local authorities.

9 Risk Register 231 - 238

Purpose - To provide an update on the Risk Register.

10 Work Programme 239 - 258

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.

11 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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12 Risk Register (Exempt Appendix)

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