



NORWICH
City Council

Audit committee

Date: Tuesday, 19 March 2024

Time: 16:30

Venue: Mancroft 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 Public questions/petitions

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

3 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)

4 Minutes

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To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2024

5 2023/24 Q3 Corporate Risk Register

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Purpose - This report provides an update to the council's corporate risk register based on the position for quarter three (December 2023)

6 Progress Report on Internal Audit Activity

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

7 Strategic and Annual Internal Audit Plans 2024/25 to 2026/27

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Purpose - This report provides an overview of the stages followed prior to the formulation of the Strategic Internal Audit Plan for 2024/25 to 2026/27 and the Annual Internal Audit Plan for 2024/25.

The Annual Internal Audit Plan will then serve as the work programme for the Council's Internal Audit Services Contractor, TIAA Ltd.

It will also provide the basis for the annual audit opinion on the overall adequacy and effectiveness of Norwich City Council's framework of governance, risk management and internal control.

8 DLUHC Consultation Response – Addressing the Local Audit Backlog in England 111 - 156

Purpose - To provide members with details of the response submitted to the recent DLUHC Consultation entitled Addressing the Local Audit Backlog in England.

9 Audit Committee Self-Assessment Exercise 157 - 180

Purpose - This report outlines the results of the self-assessment review completed on 5th February 2024.

10 Work Programme 181 - 192

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.)

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12 2023/2024 Q3 Corporate Risk Register – Exempt Section

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13 Fraud Briefing

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