



Audit Committee

Date: Thursday 15 September 2016
Time: 10.00am
Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall
Extension

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This is a revised agenda and contains information that was not available when the original agenda was published.

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Membership of the Audit Committee

Councillors -

Ahmed Ali, Barrett, Ollerhead, Lanchbury, Russell, (Chair), Siddiqi, A Simcock, Strong and Watson

Independent Co-opted Members -

Mr S Downs, Mr D Barker.

Agenda

- 1 **Urgent business** **10.00am**
To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.
- 2 **Appeals**
To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.
- 3 **Interests**
To allow Members an opportunity to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.
- 4 **Minutes**
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings held on 14 July 2016
- 5 **Final Accounts and Letter of Representation from Treasurer to External Auditor** **10.05am**
The report of the City Treasurer is attached.
- 6 This item has been withdrawn.
- 7 **External Audit Report on the Accounts** **10.40am**
The report of Grant Thornton was previously provided.
- 8 **Register of Significant Partnerships Update** **10.45am**
The report of the City Treasurer is attached.
- 9 This item has been withdrawn.
- 10 **Budget Monitoring (for information)** **11.00am**
The report of the City Treasurer is attached.
- 11 **Work Programme** **11.30am**
The work programme of the Audit Committee was previously provided.
- 12 **Exclusion of the public**
The officers consider that the following items contain confidential information as provided for in the Local Government Access to Information Act and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information. The Audit Committee is

recommended to agree the necessary resolutions excluding the public from the meeting during consideration of these items.

An appeal process exists for members of the public who wish to appeal against the officers' recommendation for confidentiality. Anyone who does wish to appeal should contact the governance officer as soon as possible (preferably at least 48 hours) before the meeting.

13 **Annual Counter Fraud Report**

The report of the City Treasurer was previously provided.

11.35am

Information about the Committee

The Committee is responsible for approving the Council's statement of accounts; considering the Audit Commission's Annual Audit and Inspection Letter and monitoring the Council's response to individual issues of concern identified in it. The Committee also considers the Council's annual review of the effectiveness of its systems of internal control and assurance over the Council's corporate governance and risk management arrangements, and engages with the external auditor and external inspection agencies to ensure that there are effective relationships between external and internal audit.

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