

# **Audit Committee**

Date: Thursday 5 October 2017

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Scrutiny Committee Room, Level 2, Town Hall

Extension

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There will be a private meeting for members of the Committee at 9.15am in Committee Room 5, Level 2 of the Town Hall Extension.

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## **Membership of the Audit Committee**

#### Councillors -

Ahmed Ali, Andrews, Lanchbury, Ollerhead, Russell (Chair), Siddiqi, A Simcock and Watson.

Independent Co-opted Members -

Mr S Downs, Dr D Barker

## **Agenda**

#### 1 Urgent business

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 [a] 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 31 August 2017.

- 5 **[10.00-10.30] Review of Internal Audit and Findings of Peer Review.**The report of the City Treasurer and the Head of Audit and Risk Management is attached.
- 6 **[10.30 10.45] ICT Disaster Recovery Planning.**The report of the Chief Information Officer is attached.

#### 7 [10.45-11.00] ICT Out of Hours provision

The report of the Chief Information Officer is attached

- 8 **[11.00-11.30 Delivery of Budget Savings Governance Arrangements.** The report of the City Treasurer is attached.
- 9 [11.30-11.35] Verbal Update from the External Auditor in the delivery of the external audit plan

Grant Thornton will provide a verbal update

- 10 [11.35-11.55] Outstanding Audit Recommendations update
  To follow
- 11 [11.55-12.00] Work Programme and Recommendations Monitor

The work programme and recommendations monitor is attached for information.

Please note the actual start time for each agenda item may differ from the time stated on the agenda.

### 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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