Audit Committee: Work Programme 2018/19

Med	Meeting Date – 10 December 2018, 10am (Report deadline 29 November 2018) 95 minutes						
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC	Time on		
				ToR	agenda		
Grants Certification Report	Mark Heap	External Audit (Grant Thornton)	Report from the External Auditor in respect of the audit of grant returns 2017/18, any issues arising and associated fees. To consider and comment	4.7	10		
External Audit Progress	Karen Murray	External Audit	Update on the work of the External Auditor in	2	10		
Report and Update		(Mazars)	respect of the 2018/19 external audit	4.7			
Review of Code of Corporate Governance	Courtney Brightwell	Performance Manager	To consider and comment on the updated Code of Corporate Governance To consider and comment	1 3 4.10	20		
	Kate Waterhouse	Head of Performance, Research & Intelligence		4.12			
Risk and Resilience Strategy and Corporate Risk Register	Tom Powell John Gill	Head of Audit and Risk Risk and Resilience Manager	Corporate risk update and corporate risk profile as articulated in the latest refresh of the corporate risk register.	4.1	20		
Risk Review Item	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Update reports from officers on areas of focus to be agreed by Committee arising from limited/no assurance Internal Audit reports, outstanding audit recommendations or management of risk. To consider and comment	4.1	20		
Work Programme and Audit Committee Recommendations Monitor	Andrew Woods	Governance Team Leader			5		

Meeting Date – 14 January 2019, 10am (Report deadline 6 January 2018)							
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC ToR	Time on agenda		
No Business Planned							

Meeting Date – 11 February 2019, 10am (Report deadline 3 February 2019) 100 minutes							
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC ToR	Time on		
					agenda		
Internal Audit Assurance	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Summary of internal audit activity and report	4.4	20		
Report	Kathryn Fyfe	Audit Manager	opinions to the end of quarter three.				
			To consider and comment				
Outstanding Audit	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Update on the implementation of internal and	4.4	15		
Recommendations	Kathryn Fyfe	Audit Manager	external audit recommendations for each				
			Directorate to the end of quarter three.				
			To consider and comment				
Register of Significant	Courtney	Performance Manager	Summary of the progress in implementing	4.10	20		
Partnerships	Brightwell		recommendations arising from the register of	4.12			
			significant partnerships.				
	Kate	Head of Performance,	To consider and comment				
	Waterhouse	Research & Intelligence					
Accounting Concepts and	Carol Culley	City Treasurer	To explain the accounting concepts and policies,	1	10		
Policies, Critical Accounting	Janice Gotts	Deputy City Treasurer	critical accounting judgements and key sources	4.9			
Judgements and Key	Karen Gilfoy	Chief Accountant	of estimation uncertainty that will be used in				
Sources of Estimation			preparing the accounts.				
Uncertainty			To consider and comment				
External Audit Progress	Karen Murray	External Audit	Update on the work of the External Auditor	2	10		
Report and Update		(Mazars)		4.7			
Risk Review Item	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Update reports from officers on areas of focus to	4.1	20		
			be agreed by Committee arising from limited/no				

Meeting Date – 11 February 2019, 10am (Report deadline 3 February 2019) 100 minutes							
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC ToR	Time on		
					agenda		
			assurance Internal Audit reports, outstanding				
			audit recommendations or management of risk.				
			To consider and comment				
Work Programme and Audit	Andrew	Governance Team			5		
Committee	Woods	Leader					
Recommendations Monitor							

Meeting Date – 11 March 2019, 10am (Report deadline tbc)							
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC ToR	Time on agenda		
No Business Planned							

TBC Meeting Date – 15 April 2019, 10am (Report deadline 4 April 2019) 130 minutes						
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC	Time on	
				ToR	agenda	
Draft Annual Governance	Courtney	Performance Manager	To advise the processes followed to produce the	1	30	
Statement (AGS)	Brightwell		AGS and obtain Audit Committee input to the draft	3		
			statement.	4.10		
	Kate	Head of Performance,	To consider and comment	4.12		
	Waterhouse	Research & Intelligence				
Review of Internal Audit and Quality Assurance Improvement Programme (QAIP)	Carol Culley	City Treasurer	To consider organisational arrangements for the delivery of internal audit in line with legislation and Public Sector Internal Audit Standards. To include review of Audit Committee Terms of Reference and Internal Audit Charter. To consider and comment	3	15	

	TBC Meeting Da	ate - 15 April 2019, 10am (Report deadline 4 April 2019) 130 minutes		
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC	Time on
				ToR	agenda
Head of Audit and Risk Management Annual Opinion	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Head of Internal Audit and Risk Management Annual Opinion on the Council's systems of governance, risk management and internal control as well as a summary of audit work undertaken in the year. To consider and comment	4.6	30
Annual Internal Audit Plan	Tom Powell Kathryn Fyfe	Head of Audit and Risk Audit Manager	To provide the Internal Audit Strategy and annual internal audit work plan for Audit Committee consideration in line with Public Sector Internal Audit Standards. To review and approve	4.2 4.3	20
Audit Strategy Memorandum	External Audit	Karen Murray (Mazars)	To provide an overview of the planned scope and timing of the annual external audit for 2018/19. To consider and comment	2 4.7	10
Risk Review Item	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Update reports from officers on areas of focus to be agreed by Committee arising from limited/no assurance Internal Audit reports, outstanding audit recommendations or management of risk. To consider and comment	4.1	20
Work Programme and Audit Committee Recommendations Monitor	Andrew Woods	Governance Team Leader			5

	TBC Mee	ting Date - June 2019, 10a	am (Report deadline tbc) 95 minutes		
Item	Lead Officer	Position	Comments	AC ToR	Time on agenda
Internal Audit Annual Report	Tom Powell Kathryn Fyfe	Head of Audit and Risk Audit Manager	Report of internal audit activity for the year. To consider and comment	4.4	10
Draft Annual Statement of Accounts	Carol Culley Janice Gotts Karen Gilfoy	City Treasurer Deputy City Treasurer Chief Accountant	To report the Annual Accounts prepared for submission to the external auditor for review. To consider and comment	1	30
Revenue Budget Outturn Report	Carol Culley	City Treasurer	To report the revenue outturn for the year as reported to Executive. To note	1	5
Capital Budget Outturn Report	Carol Culley	City Treasurer	To report the capital outturn for the year as reported to Executive. To note	1	5
Response letters from City Treasurer and Audit Committee Chair to the External Auditor	Carol Culley	City Treasurer	Draft responses proposed to be issued to the External Auditor from the City Treasurer and the Audit Committee Chair for the audit of the accounts	1	5
Treasury Management (Outturn) Report	Carol Culley Janice Gotts Karen Gilfoy Tim Seagrave	City Treasurer Deputy City Treasurer Chief Accountant Finance Lead	To report the Treasury Management activities of the Council for the year. To consider and comment	4.11	10
External Audit Progress Report	Karen Murray	External Audit (Mazars)	Update from the External Auditor in the delivery of the external audit plan To consider and comment	4.7	5
Risk Review Item	Tom Powell	Head of Audit and Risk	Update reports from officers on areas of focus to be agreed by Committee arising from limited/no assurance Internal Audit reports, outstanding audit recommendations or management of risk. To consider and comment	4.1	20

Work Programme and Audit	Andrew	Governance Team		5
Committee	Woods	Leader		
Recommendations Monitor				

Audit Committee Terms Of Reference: As Constitution May 2017

- 1. To consider and approve the authority's statement of accounts, including the Annual Governance Statement in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.
- 2. To consider, as soon as reasonably practicable, the annual letter from the external auditor in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 and to monitor the Council's response to individual issues of concern identified
- 3. To consider the findings of the Council's annual review of the effectiveness of its system of internal control under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015, including the effectiveness of its system of internal audit
- 4. In furtherance of the Council's duty to make arrangements for the proper administration of its financial affairs and the Committee's responsibilities under the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 set out above:
- 4.1. To obtain assurance over the Council's corporate governance and risk management arrangements, the control environment and associated anti-fraud and anti-corruption arrangements.
- 4.2. To review and approve (but not direct) the terms of reference for internal audit and an Internal Audit Strategy.
- 4.3. To review and approve (but not direct) the internal annual audit programme considering the effectiveness of proposed and actual coverage in providing adequate assurance over the Council's arrangements for governance, risk management and system of internal control.
- 4.4. To monitor the implementation and outcomes of the Council's internal audit programme and where required, to review summary and individual audit reports with significant implications for financial management and internal control.
- 4.5. To seek assurance on the adequacy of management response to internal audit advice, findings and recommendations in the form of implementation of agreed action plans
- 4.6. To receive the Annual Report of the Head of Internal Audit

- 4.7. To consider the external auditor's annual letter, relevant reports and the annual report to those charged with governance on issues arising from the audit of the Statement of Accounts.
- 4.8. To engage with the external auditor and external inspection agencies and other relevant bodies to ensure that there are effective relationships between external and internal audit.
- 4.9. To make recommendations to the Chief Finance Officer and Monitoring Officer in respect of Part 5 of the Council's Constitution (Financial Regulations).
- 4.10. To consider the Code of Corporate Governance.
- 4.11. To monitor the performance of the Treasury Management function including:
 - approval of / amendments to the organisation's adopted clauses, treasury management policy statement and treasury management practices
 - budget consideration and approval
 - approval of the division of responsibilities
 - receiving and reviewing regular monitoring reports and acting on recommendations
 - approving the selection of external service providers and agreeing terms of appointment.
- 4.12. To consider and advise the Council on the Annual Governance Statement.