

Agenda

Audit and governance committee

Date: Monday 30 July 2018

Time: **2.00 pm**

Place: Committee Room 1, Shire Hall, St. Peter's Square,

Hereford, HR1 2HX

Notes: Please note the time, date and venue of the meeting.

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Agenda for the meeting of the Audit and governance committee

Membership

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Agenda **Pages** THE PUBLIC RIGHTS TO INFORMATION AND ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** To receive apologies for absence. 2. NAMED SUBSTITUTES (IF ANY) To receive details any details of members nominated to attend the meeting in place of a member of the committee. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 3. To receive any declarations of interest by Members in respect of items on the agenda. 4. **MINUTES** 9 - 16 To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on xxxxxx. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC 5. To receive questions from members of the public. Deadline for receipt of questions is 5.00 pm on 24 July 2018 (3 clear working days from date of meeting). Accepted questions and answers will be published as a supplement prior to the meeting. **QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS** 6. To receive any questions from councillors. Deadline for receipt of questions is 5.00 pm on 24 July 2018 (3 clear working days from date of meeting). Accepted questions and answers will be published as a supplement prior to the meeting. EXTERNAL AUDIT FINDINGS REPORT - 2017/18 STATEMENT OF 17 - 54 7. **ACCOUNTS** 8. SIGNING OF THE 2017/18 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 55 - 168 To approve the 2017/18 statement of accounts and associated letter of representation to Grant Thornton, the external auditors. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 9. 169 - 196 To agree the annual governance statement 2017/18. 2016/17 EXTERNAL AUDIT FEE 10. 197 - 200 For the committee to consider and approve the proposed additional external audit fee charge for work completed during the external audit of the 2016/17 statement of accounts.

INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT AND OPINION 2017/18

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The purpose of this report is to enable the committee to provide independent assurance on the adequacy of the risk management framework together with the internal control of the financial reporting and annual governance processes by considering the head of internal audit's annual report and opinion, and the level of assurance it gives over the council's corporate governance arrangements.

12. CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

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To consider the status of the council's corporate risk register in order to monitor the effectiveness of the performance, risk and opportunity management framework.

13. TRACKING OF INTERNAL AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS

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To review progress of the implementation of audit recommendations.

14. NMITE ASSURANCE REVIEW

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A briefing to enable the committee to provide assurance on the adequacy in regards of the risk framework on the measure the council is taking as the accountable body for the new model in technology & engineering (NMiTE) and the milestone payments from the Department for Education (DfE).

15. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

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To provide an update on the work programme for the committee.