



Gloucestershire

COUNTY COUNCIL

Meeting papers

Audit and Governance Committee

Friday 21 July 2023 at 10.00 am

Cabinet Suite - Shire Hall, Gloucester

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1	APOLOGIES	Andrea Griffiths
2	APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON The Committee is asked to appoint a Chairperson for the ensuing civic year.	Andrea Griffiths
3	APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRPERSON The Committee is asked to appoint a Vice-Chairperson for the ensuing civic year.	Andrea Griffiths
4	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Andre Griffiths
5	PUBLIC QUESTIONS To answer any written public questions about matters which are within the powers and duties of the Audit & Governance Committee. Up to 30 minutes is allowed for this item The closing date for receipt of questions is 10am on Friday 14th July 2023	Andrea Griffiths
6	MEMBER QUESTIONS The closing date for receipt of questions is 10am on Friday 14th July 2023	Andrea Griffiths
7	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 1 - 6) The Committee is asked to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 21st April 2023.	Andrea Griffiths
8	GRANT THORNTON PROGRESS REPORT (Pages 7 - 18) The Committee is asked to note the report.	Alex Walling
9	GRANT THORNTON AUDIT PLANS FOR PENSION FUND (Pages 19 - 40)	Alex Walling

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10	2021/22 AUDITORS ANNUAL REPORT (Pages 41 - 84) The Committee is asked to note the report.	Alex Walling
11	ANNUAL REPORT ON TREASURY MANAGEMENT (Pages 85 - 102) The Committee is asked consider the Treasury Management Annual Report 2022/23	Paul Blacker
12	ANNUAL REPORT ON RISK MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY (Pages 103 - 146) The Committee is asked to note the report.	Darren Skinner
13	ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNTER FRAUD TEAM (Pages 147 - 160) The Committee is asked to note the work and performance of the Counter Fraud Unit during 2022/23.	Piyush Fatania
14	ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HEAD OF AUDIT RISK ASSURANCE (Pages 161 - 170) The Committee is asked to note the report.	Piyush Fatania
15	INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORTS (Pages 171 - 196) The Committee is asked to note the reports.	Piyush Fatania
16	ANNUAL SCHOOLS ASSURANCE STATEMENTS - GOVERNOR SERVICES (Pages 197 - 200) The Committee is asked to note the report.	Clare Dudman
17	ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S USE OF THE REGULATIONS INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) (Pages 201 - 206) The Committee is asked to note the use of surveillance activities across the Council and agrees the conclusions to this report and supports the proposal to proceed with the outstanding recommended actions.	Karen Smith
18	AUDIT & GOVERNANCE CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT (Pages 207 - 216) The Committee is asked to approve and commend the report to Council.	Piyush Fatania
<p>Membership – <i>Cllr Matt Babbage, Cllr John Bloxsom, Cllr Andrew Gravells MBE, Cllr Tim Harman, Cllr Colin Hay (Chairman), Cllr Alex Hegenbarth, Cllr Stephen Hirst, Cllr Alan Preest, Cllr Brian Tipper, Cllr Chloe Turner and Cllr Dr David Willingham</i></p> <p>Co-Opted Member - <i>David Clowes</i></p>		

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