

<b>MEETING:</b>	Audit Committee
<b>DATE:</b>	Wednesday, 18 January 2017
<b>TIME:</b>	4.00 pm
<b>VENUE:</b>	Reception Room, Barnsley Town Hall

## AGENDA

### Procedural/Administrative Items

1. Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest
2. Minutes (*Pages 3 - 12*)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.

3. Actions Arising From the Previous Meetings (*Pages 13 - 14*)

The Committee will receive a report detailing action taken and arising from previous meetings of the Committee.

### Items for Discussion/Decision

4. Appointment of External Auditor (*Pages 15 - 18*)

The Director of Finance, Assets and IT will submit a report on the various options available for the appointment of external audit services from 2018/19 onwards and seeking approval to recommend to Council the preferred option.

5. Risk Management Update Report 2016/17 (*Pages 19 - 34*)

The Director of Finance, Assets and IT will submit a report outlining the progress made to date towards the achievement of the goals set out in the Council's Risk Management Policy and signposting further work to be undertaken in the year.

6. Internal Audit Quarterly Report 2016/17 - Quarter Ended 31st December, 2016 (*Pages 35 - 56*)

The Head of Internal Audit and Corporate Anti-Fraud will submit a report providing a comprehensive overview of the key activities and findings of Internal Audit based on the Division's work covering the whole of the third quarter with additional details of audits completed up to the end of December, 2016.

7. Corporate Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policies (*Pages 57 - 80*)

The Head of Internal Audit and Corporate Anti-Fraud will submit a report presenting draft versions of the revised Corporate Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy and Corporate Anti-Fraud and Corruption Strategy together with a draft version of the Council's new Corporate Anti-Bribery Policy and requesting the Committee to forward any observations and amendments to Cabinet which be requested to approve those policies.

## Items for Information

8. External Audit - Annual Report on grants and returns 2015/16 (*Pages 81 - 88*)

The Committee will receive a report of the External Auditor summarising the work undertaken on the Council's 2015/16 grant claims and returns including the work completed under the Public Sector Audit appointment certification arrangements, on the work undertaken on other grants/returns under separate engagement terms, detailing the certification work on the Housing Subsidy Benefit claim and outlining the fees for undertaking this work.

9. External Audit - Technical Update incorporating the External Audit Progress Report (*Pages 89 - 106*)

The Committee will receive the External Audit Technical Update which incorporates the External Audit Progress Report for January 2017.

10. Audit Committee Work Plan 2016/17 and 2017/18 (*Pages 107 - 108*)

The Committee will receive the indicative Audit Committee Work Plan for 2016/17 and 2017/18.

To: Chair and Members of Audit Committee:-

Councillors Richardson (Chair), Barnard, Clements and Lofts; together with Independent members Ms K Armitage, Ms D Brown, Mr S Gill, Mr P Johnson and Mr M Marks

Diana Terris, Chief Executive

All Executive Directors

Andrew Frosdick, Director Legal and Governance

Frances Foster, Director Finance, Assets and Information Services

Rob Winter, Head of Internal Audit

Neil Copley, Service Director Finance

Ian Rooth, Head of Technical Services

Adrian Hunt, Risk Management Manager

Michael Potter, Service Director Organisation and Workforce Improvement

Julie Winham, Senior Audit Manager

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