

Agenda

Audit and Risk Assurance Committee

Thursday, 16 March 2023 at 5.30 pm
At Council Chamber - Sandwell Council House, Oldbury

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Members to declare any interests in matters to be discussed at the meeting.

3 Minutes

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To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2023.

4 Additional Item of Business

To determine whether there are any additional items of business to be considered as a matter of urgency.

5 Improvement Plan Progress and Phase 2 Refresh

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To consider and comment upon the progress of the Improvement Plan and the Risk Register up to 2 February 2023.

6 Strategic Risk Register Update

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To receive and comment on the Strategic Risk Register Update.

7 **Internal Audit Plan** 213 - 232

To review and approve the Internal Audit Plan 2023/24.

8 **Internal Audit Progress Report** 233 - 248

To consider and comment on the Internal Audit Progress Report

9 **Audit and Risk Assurance Committee - Terms of Reference Annual Review** 249 - 262

To review and agree the terms of reference for the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee

10 **Statement of Accounts 2020/21** 263 - 538

To authorise the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (ARAC), to agree any changes which may be necessary in order to ensure the finalisation of the external audit currently being concluded by the Council's external auditors, Grant Thornton, to ensure completion of the Statement of Accounts for financial year 2020/21.

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