



Committee: Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee

Date: Wednesday 25 January 2023

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, Oxon OX15 4AA

Membership

**Councillor Donna Ford
(Chairman)**

Councillor Patrick Clarke

Councillor Ian Middleton

Councillor Sean Woodcock

Councillor Hugo Brown (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Andrew Crichton

Councillor Chris Pruden

Councillor Barry Wood

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Petitions and Requests to Address the Meeting

The Chairman to report on any requests to submit petitions or to address the meeting.

4. Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 16 November 2022.

5. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

6. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

7. Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022 - Update on Actions (Pages 9 - 14)

Report of Monitoring Officer & Assistant Director of Law & Governance

Purpose of report

To consider an update on actions from the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) 2021/2022.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider and comment on the update on the actions arising from the Annual Governance Statement 2021/2022.
- 1.2 To note the formation of the Corporate Oversight & Knowledge Governance Group by the Monitoring Officer.

8. Internal Audit Progress Report 2022/23 (Pages 15 - 34)

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance

Purpose of report

The report presents the Internal Audit Progress report for 2022/23

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

- 1.1 To note the progress with the 2022/23 Internal Audit Plan and the outcome of the completed audits.

9. Capital, Investment and Treasury Management Strategies 2023-24 (Pages 35 - 78)

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance

Purpose of report

To submit the draft Capital and Investment Strategy and Treasury Management Strategy for 2023-24.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To recommend the draft strategies for 2023-24 to Executive.

10. Treasury Management Report - Q3 2022/23 (December 2022) (Pages 79 - 88)

Report of the Assistant Director of Finance (Section 151)

Purpose of report

To receive information on treasury management performance and compliance with treasury management policy for 2022-23 as required by the Treasury Management Code of Practice.

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended:

1.1 To note the contents of this Treasury Management Report.

11. Work Programme (Pages 89 - 90)

To consider and review the Work Programme.

Councillors are requested to collect any post from their pigeon hole in the Members Room at the end of the meeting.

Information about this Meeting

Apologies for Absence

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Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare interests at item 2 on the agenda or if arriving after the start of the meeting, at the start of the relevant agenda item.

Local Government and Finance Act 1992 – Budget Setting, Contracts & Supplementary Estimates

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Queries Regarding this Agenda

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