



# Audit Committee

**North Tyneside Council**

16 May 2017

**Wednesday 24 May 2017** Room 0.01, Quadrant East, The Silverlink North, Cobalt Business Park, North Tyneside commencing at 6.00pm.

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<b>1. Apologies for Absence</b>	
To receive apologies for absence from the meeting.	
<b>2. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations</b>	
You are invited to declare any registerable or non-registerable interests in matters appearing on the agenda, and the nature of that interest. You are also invited to disclose any dispensation in relation to any registerable or non-registerable interests that have been granted in respect of any matters appearing on the agenda.	
You are also requested to complete the Declarations of Interests card available at the meeting and return it to the Democratic Support Officer before leaving the meeting.	
<b>3. Minutes</b>	<b>4</b>
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29 March 2017. (attached)	

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<b>4. Audit Progress Report (attached)</b>	<b>9</b>
To receive an update from Mazars in meeting its responsibilities as the Council's external auditors, including key emerging national issues and developments.	
<b>5. Annual Governance Statement 2016/17 (attached)</b>	<b>16</b>
To receive a report which sets out the outcomes of the review of the Authority's systems of internal control and examines the effectiveness of the Authority's arrangements for the governance of its affairs, including arrangements for management of risk and systems for internal control.	
<b>6. 2016/17 Opinion on the Framework of Governance, Risk Management and Control (attached)</b>	<b>52</b>
To give consideration to a report which presents the Chief Internal Auditor's opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the organisation's framework of governance, risk management and control.	
<b>7. Strategic Audit Plan 2016/17 – Final Monitoring Statement (attached)</b>	<b>71</b>
To give consideration to the final monitoring statement of the 2016.17 Strategic Audit Plan.	
<b>8. Key outcomes from Internal Audit Reports issued between October 2016 and March 2017 (attached)</b>	<b>86</b>
To give consideration to a report which provides details of the key outcomes of internal audit reports issued between 1 October 2016 and 31 March 2017.	
<b>9. Briefing on new arrangements for the appointment of the External (Local) Auditor (attached)</b>	<b>100</b>
To give consideration to a report on changes to the process of appointing the external auditor.	

10. **Follow up of the Review of the Audit Committee Arrangements** (attached) 106

To give consideration to a report which provides an update on the progress being made in relation to the implementation of the review of arrangements for the Audit Committee

11. **Exclusion Resolution**

The Committee will be requested to pass the following resolution: **Resolved** that under Section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and having applied a public interest test as defined in Part 2 of Schedule 12A of the Act, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

12. **Corporate Risk Management Summary Report** (attached) 109

To consider a report which sets out the corporate risks which have been identified for monitoring and management by the Authority's Senior Leadership Team.

13. **Internal Audit Review of Perimeter Security** (attached) 168

To consider a report which provides the Committee with an example of a typical internal audit report which is presented to management following work carried out by the Internal Audit Section.

Members of the Audit Committee:-

Mr K Robinson (Chair)  
Mr M Wilkinson (Deputy Chair)  
Councillor G Bell  
Councillor L Bell  
Councillor D Cox  
Councillor N Craven  
Councillor S Graham  
Councillor A McMullen  
Councillor J Wallace