# Audit Committee Agenda



Date: Monday, 25 September 2023

**Time:** 2.00 pm

Venue: The Council Chamber - City Hall, College

Green, Bristol, BS1 5TR

## **Distribution:**

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Date: Friday, 15 September 2023



# Agenda

### 1. Welcome, Introductions and Safety Information

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2. Apologies for absence.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

To note any declarations of interest from the Councillors. They are asked to indicate the relevant agenda item, the nature of the interest and in particular whether it is a **disclosable pecuniary interest**.

Any declarations of interest made at the meeting which is not on the register of interests should be notified to the Monitoring Officer for inclusion.

### 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

To agree the minutes of the previous meeting as a correct record.

(Pages 8 - 17)

#### 5. Action Sheet

(Pages 18 - 19)

#### 6. Public Forum

Up to 30 minutes is allowed for this item

Any member of the public or Councillor may participate in Public Forum. The detailed arrangements for so doing are set out in the Public Information Sheet at the back of this agenda. Public Forum items should be emailed to <a href="mailto:democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk">democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk</a> and please note that the following deadlines will apply in relation to this meeting:-

Questions - Written questions must be received 3 clear working days prior to the meeting. For this meeting, this means that your question(s) must be received in this office at the latest by 5 pm on **19 September 2023.** 

Petitions and Statements - Petitions and statements must be received on the working day prior to the meeting. For this meeting this means that your submission must be received in this office at the latest by 12.00 noon on 22 September 2023.



To note the work programme. (Pages 20 - 22)

### 8. Grant Thornton ISA 260 Report

Appendix 1: Grant Thornton's Audit Report 2021/22 – to follow (Pages 23 - 25)

#### 9. Statement of Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2022

Appendix 1 Statement of Accounts 2021/22 – to follow

Appendix 2 Letter of Representation - to follow

(Pages 26 - 29)

10. Internal Audit Activity Report

(Pages 30 - 42)

11. Internal Audit Q3 Priorities

(Pages 43 - 49)

12. Treasury Management Annual Report 2022/23

(Pages 50 - 69)

13. Risk Management Annual Report 22/23

(Pages 70 - 75)

- 14. Q2 Corporate Risk Report To follow
- 15. Audit Committee Corporate Risk Deep dive CRR13 (MTFP)

(Pages 76 - 81)

16. Annual Report of the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman

(Pages 82 - 118)

17. Digital Transformation Programme Update.

(Pages 119 - 125)

18. Update regarding Governance changes relating to the councils wholly owned companies. - September 2023



(Pages 126 - 136)

# 19. Bristol City Council Trading Companies Annual Comprehensive Assurance statements

(Pages 137 - 190)

#### 20. Exclusion of Press and Public

That under s.100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business on the grounds that it (they) involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph(s) 3 (respectively) of Part 1 of schedule 12A of the Act.

### 21. Exempt Information relating to BWC

(Pages 191 - 193)

# 22. FM Code Compliance Final (Annual Governance Statement 2022/23) -For information only

Refreshed to incorporate the External Auditors VFM recommendations (Pages 194 - 226)

