

Audit and Standards Committee

Date: Thursday 26 January 2023
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Room 2, Shire Hall

Membership

John Bridgeman (Chair)
Councillor John Cooke
Councillor Sarah Feeney
Councillor Bill Gifford
Councillor Brian Hammersley
Councillor Christopher Kettle
Councillor Bhagwant Singh Pandher
Robert Zara (Independent Member)

Items on the agenda: -

- 1. General**
 - (1) Apologies**
 - (2) Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**
 - (3) Minutes of the previous meeting** 5 - 12
To receive the minutes of the Audit & Standards Committee meeting held on 3 November 2022.
- 2. County Council Audit Findings Report for 2021/22** 13 - 58
To consider the Audit Findings Report of the External Auditors for Warwickshire County Council along with the Letter of Representation.
- 3. County Council Statement of Accounts for 2021/22** 59 - 172
To receive and consider the 2021/22 Statement of Accounts and recommend them to Council for approval.
- 4. 2021/22 Annual Governance Statement** 173 - 210
To receive and endorse the 2021/22 Annual Governance Statement prior to submission to Council for approval.
- 5. External Auditor's Governance Report** 211 - 250
To receive and consider the Warwickshire Pension Fund External Auditor's Governance Report.

- 6. Warwickshire Pension Fund Statement of Accounts 2021/22** 251 - 306
To receive and consider the 2021/22 Pension Fund Statement of Accounts and recommends them to Council for approval.
- 7. External Auditors' Annual Audit Letter 2021/22** 307 - 338
To consider the Annual Audit Letter of the External Auditors for 2021/22.
- 8. Work Programme and Future Meeting Dates** 339 - 340
To consider the items for the Committee's Work Programme and note the dates of future meetings to be held at Shire Hall, Warwick, as follows:
- 23 March 2023
 - 25 May 2023
 - 20 July 2023
 - 21 September 2023
 - 30 November 2023
 - 21 March 2024
- All meetings to commence at 10am
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Reports Containing Exempt or Confidential Information**
To consider passing the following resolution:
- 'That members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the items mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972'.
- 11. Exempt Minutes of the previous meeting** 341 - 344
To receive the exempt minutes of the Audit & Standards Committee held on 3 November 2022.

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Warwickshire County Council
Shire Hall, Warwick

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