Meeting date: Monday 21 March 2022

Training/Briefing Dates: 14 March 2022 & 17 March 2022

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of Reference	Brief description	Relevant onward Committee and date (if applicable)
Annual Statement of Accounts (now to be presented post elections)	Ernst & Young (External Auditors. Sian Warren/Kirsty Nutton/Cecilie Booth - Finance	2.2.1.19 To review the annual statement of accounts, specifically, to consider whether appropriate accounting policies have been followed and whether there are concerns arising from the financial statements or from the audit that need to be brought to the attention of the council.	The Council is required to prepare a Statement of Accounts each financial year, and it must be prepared in accordance with statutory timelines and accounting practices. Since 2010/11 those accounting practices have been based on International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) which facilitate the production of accounts in a standardised and consistent format across all industries, public and private sectors, providing greater transparency to all stakeholders.	
Draft Annual Audit Committee report	Dan Kalley – Senior Democratic Services Officer Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.2.13 To produce an annual report for consideration by Full Council.	The Audit Committee has been in operation since Annual Council in May 2006 (first meeting June 2006). The Committee has a wide ranging remit that underpins the Council's governance processes by providing	Full Council July 2022

			independent challenge and assurance of the adequacy of risk management, internal control including internal audit, anti-fraud and the financial reporting framework.	
Internal Audit: Internal Audit Plan 2022 / 2023	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	 2.2.1.1 To consider the annual report and opinion of the Corporate Director Resources and a summary of internal audit activity (actual and proposed) and the level of assurance it can give over the council's corporate governance arrangements. 2.2.1.3 To consider reports dealing with the management and performance of the providers of internal audit services. 2.2.1.18 To consider the council's arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure compliance with best practice.	The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Council reviews and agrees the audit activity for the next audit year.	

Risk Management: Strategic Risks	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.2.15 To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the council.	The purpose of this report is for the Audit Committee to note and comment on the Risk Management Report.	
Uncollectable Debts over £10,000	Chris Yates – Finance Manager Cecilie Booth – Interim Director Resources	2.2.2.14 To review any issue referred to it by the Chief Executive or a Director, or any Council body	The purpose of the report is to note an debt write off's over £10,000	

Meeting date: Monday 25 July 2022

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of Reference	Brief description	Relevant onward Committee and date (if applicable)
Audit Committee deep dive	TBC	TBC	An opportunity for the Committee to have a deep dive into an area of interest to the Committee. Further details of the nature of the deep dive will be updated in the work programme.	

Annual Governance Statement	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources	 2.2.1.17 To oversee the production of the authority's Annual Governance Statement and to recommend its adoption 2.2.1.18 To consider the Councils arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure compliance with best practice. 	The production of the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) forms part of the annual closure of accounts process. It is not a financial exercise, but represents a corporate overview of the processes and procedures adopted by Peterborough to manage its affairs.	
Internal Audit: Annual Audit Opinion	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.1.1 To consider the annual report and opinion of the Corporate Director Resources and a summary of internal audit activity (actual and proposed) and the level of assurance it can give over the council's corporate governance arrangements.	The purpose of this report provides an overall opinion on the soundness of the control environment in place to minimise risk to the Council. It is based on the findings of completed audits and activities undertaken by the Internal Audit Team during 2021 / 2022.	
Investigations Team Annual Report 2021 / 2022	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.1.16	The purpose of this report is to present the work carried out during the past year to	

		To monitor council policies on "raising concern at work" and the anti-fraud and anti- corruption strategy and the Council's complaints process.	minimise the risk of fraud, bribery and corruption occurring in the Council.
Insurance: Annual Report 2021 / 2022	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.1.15 To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the Council.	The purpose of this report is to present the work carried out during the past year to provide an effective insurance function which provides cover for all aspects of the Council whilst minimising the cost.
Budget Monitoring Outturn 2021 / 2022	Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources Emma Riding – Budget Planning and Reporting Manager	2.2.1.19 To review the annual statement of accounts, specifically, to consider whether appropriate accounting policies have been followed and whether there are concerns arising from the financial statements or from the audit that need to be brought to the attention of the council.	The report provides Audit Committee with the outturn position for both the revenue budget and capital programme for 2021/22. The report contains performance information on the payment of creditors and collection performance for debtors, local taxation and benefit overpayments.
Audit Results report for year ended 31 March 2022	Ernst & Young – External Auditors Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources	2.2.1.19 To review the annual statement of accounts, specifically, to consider	To review the Audit results report from the External Auditors.

	Kirsty Nutton – Deputy S151 Officer	whether appropriate accounting policies have been followed and whether there are concerns arising from the financial statements or from the audit that need to be brought to the attention of the council.		
Audit Committee Effectiveness	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.1.18 To consider the Councils arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure compliance with best practice.	To provide Members with an update on progress in developing the audit plan.	
Decisions of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee	Pippa Turvey – Democratic & Constitutional Services Manager	2.2.2.12 To consider reports in relation to the performance of the Council's companies, alongside comments from the Shareholder Cabinet Committee.	The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Audit Committee is updated on the work of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee in relation the Council's companies.	

Meeting date: Monday 12 September 2022

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of	Brief description	Relevant onward
		Reference		Committee and

				date (if applicable)
Risk Management: Strategic Risks	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.2.15 To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the council.	The purpose of this report is for the Audit Committee to note and comment on the Risk Management Report.	
External Audit plan for year ended 31 March 2022	Ernst Young – External Auditors Sian Warren/Cecilie Booth/Kirsty Nutton - Finance	 2.2.2.5 To consider the external auditors annual letter, relevant reports and the report to those charged with governance. 2.2.2.7 To comment on the scope and depth of external audit work and to ensure it gives value for money. 	The purpose of this report is to involve the Audit Committee in determining the audit approach and to identify any additional issues it considers relevant to the audit.	
Update on Procurement (single tender contracts) to include an update from Head of Procurement				
Actions and results from the first Independent Panel	Cecilie Booth – Interim Corporate Director Resources			

Fiona McMillan – Director Law and Governance		
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Meeting date: Monday 28 November 2022

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of Reference	Brief description	Relevant onward Committee and date (if applicable)
Audit Committee deep dive (potentially on write offs)	TBC	TBC	An opportunity for the Committee to have a deep dive into an area of interest to the Committee. Further details of the nature of the deep dive will be updated in the work programme.	
Internal Audit: Mid Year Progress Report	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.2.1 To consider the annual audit report and opinion of the Corporate Director of Resources and a summary of internal audit activity (actual and proposed) and the level of assurance it can give over the council's corporate governance arrangements.	The purpose of this report provides an overall opinion on the soundness of the control environment in place to minimise risk to the council. It is based on the findings of the completed internal audits from the Annual Audit Plan 2022 / 2023 as at 30 September 2022.	

Audit Committee start time 2023/24	Dan Kalley – Senior Democratic Services Officer	Council Standing Order section 4.4.1 The timings of normal committee meetings will be agreed by the committee for the next municipal year in January of the preceding municipal year (or as near to this time as possible).	The purpose of this report is to allow the Audit Committee to discuss and agree the start times for meetings from the beginning of the Municipal Year 2023-24.	Full Council January 2023
Treasury Management Strategy (Half year report)	Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources Fiona Leverton – Capital Accounting & Treasury Manager	2.2.1.18 To consider the Council's arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure compliance with best practice.	The purpose of this report is to report current performance and the forecast outturn position against the Prudential Indicators in the strategy.	
Report on Shared Services	Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources Matt Gladstone – Chief Executive			
Decisions of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee	Pippa Turvey – Democratic & Constitutional Services Manager	2.2.2.12 To consider reports in relation to the performance of the Council's companies, alongside comments from the Shareholder Cabinet Committee.	The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Audit Committee is updated on the work of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee in relation the Council's companies.	

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Meeting date: 23 January 2023

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of Reference	Brief description	Relevant onward Committee and date (if applicable)
Audit Committee deep dive	ТВС	TBC	An opportunity for the Committee to have a deep dive into an area of interest to the Committee. Further details of the nature of the deep dive will be updated in the work programme.	
Internal Audit: Approach to Audit Planning	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	2.2.2.9 To commission work from internal and external audit.	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with details of Internal Audit's annual planning approach and emerging issues and risks that Internal Audit need to provide assurance over. It provides an opportunity for Members to consider these themes and provide input into the development of the Audit Plan.	
Councils Value for Money position				

Treasury	Cecilie Booth – Acting	2.2.1.18	To provide the Treasury	Part of the
Management Strategy including update on risks	Corporate Director Resources Fiona Leverton – Capital Accounting & Treasury Manager	To consider the Council's arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure compliance with best practice.	Management Strategy 2022/23 to Audit Committee for approval of the policies and Prudential Indicators in line with the consultation timelines for the MTFS.	Medium Term Financial Strategy presented to Full Council in March

Meeting date: 20 March 2023

Agenda Item	Responsible Author(s)	Audit Committee Terms of Reference	Brief description	Relevant onward Committee and date (if applicable)
Audit Committee deep dive	TBC	TBC	An opportunity for the Committee to have a deep dive into an area of interest to the Committee. Further details of the nature of the deep dive will be updated in the work programme.	
Draft Annual Audit Committee report	Dan Kalley – Senior Democratic Services Officer Cecilie Booth – Acting Corporate Director Resources	2.2.2.13 To produce an annual report for consideration by Full Council.	The Audit Committee has been in operation since Annual Council in May 2006 (first meeting June 2006). The Committee has a wide ranging remit that underpins the Council's governance	Full Council July 2023

	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor		processes by providing independent challenge and assurance of the adequacy of risk management, internal control including internal audit, anti-fraud and the financial reporting framework.	
Internal Audit: Internal Audit Plan 2023 / 2024	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	 2.2.1.1 To consider the annual report and opinion of the Corporate Director Resources and a summary of internal audit activity (actual and proposed) and the level of assurance it can give over the council's corporate governance arrangements. 2.2.1.3 To consider reports dealing with the management and performance of the providers of internal audit services. 2.2.1.18 To consider the council's arrangements for corporate governance and agreeing necessary actions to ensure	The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Council reviews and agrees the audit activity for the next audit year.	

Risk Management: Strategic Risks	Steve Crabtree – Chief Internal Auditor	compliance with best practice. 2.2.2.15 To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the council.	The purpose of this report is for the Audit Committee to note and comment on the Risk Management Report.	
Decisions of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee	Pippa Turvey – Democratic & Constitutional Services Manager	2.2.2.12 To consider reports in relation to the performance of the Council's companies, alongside comments from the Shareholder Cabinet Committee.	The purpose of this report is to ensure that the Audit Committee is updated on the work of the Shareholder Cabinet Committee in relation the Council's companies.	

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