

Audit and Risk Management Committee

Date:	Monday, 5 July 2021
Time:	6.00 p.m.
Venue:	The Floral Pavillion, New Brighton

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AGENDA

1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to consider whether they have any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or any other relevant interest in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state the nature of the interest.

2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 10)

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 9 March 2021.

3. PUBLIC AND MEMBER QUESTIONS

Notice of question to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Wednesday 30 June 2021 to the Council's Monitoring Officer (committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

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Public and Member questions

Statements and Petitions

4. **INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE (Pages 11 - 20)**
5. **CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITORS ANNUAL REPORT AND OPINION 2020-21 (Pages 21 - 44)**
6. **CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE (Pages 45 - 54)**
7. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN WIRRAL COUNCIL 2020-21 (Pages 55 - 82)**
8. **EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN MERSEYSIDE PENSION FUND 2020-21 (Pages 83 - 106)**
9. **ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (Pages 107 - 140)**
10. **PROCUREMENT UPDATE (Pages 141 - 156)**
11. **REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000(RIPA) (Pages 157 - 206)**
12. **EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The public may be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

RECOMMENDATION – That in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The public interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

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