



## Audit and Risk Management Committee

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Wednesday, 1 March 2023</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>6.00 p.m.</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall</b>

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Please note that public seating is limited, therefore members of the public are encouraged to arrive in good time.

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## AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**
- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- 3. 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.

- 4. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 4)**

To approve the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 January 2023.

- 5. PUBLIC AND MEMBER QUESTIONS**

## 5.1 Public Questions

Notice of question to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Monday 27 February to the Council's Monitoring Officer via this link: [Public Question Form](#) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 10.

For more information on how your personal information will be used, please see this link: [Document Data Protection Protocol for Public Speakers at Committees | Wirral Council](#)

Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your question by the deadline for submission.

## 5.2 Statements and petitions

Notice of representations to be given in writing or by email by 12 noon, Monday 27 February to the Council's Monitoring Officer ([committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk](mailto:committeeservices@wirral.gov.uk)) and to be dealt with in accordance with Standing Order 11.1.

Petitions may be presented to the Committee if provided to Democratic and Member Services no later than 10 working days before the meeting, at the discretion of the Chair. The person presenting the petition will be allowed to address the meeting briefly (not exceeding three minute) to outline the aims of the petition. The Chair will refer the matter to another appropriate body of the Council within whose terms of reference it falls without discussion, unless a relevant item appears elsewhere on the Agenda. If a petition contains more than 5,000 signatures, it will be debated at a subsequent meeting of Council for up to 15 minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor.

Please telephone the Committee Services Officer if you have not received an acknowledgement of your statement/petition by the deadline for submission.

## 5.3 Questions by Members

Questions by Members to dealt with in accordance with Standing Orders 12.3 to 12.8.

6. **INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE REPORT (Pages 5 - 12)**
7. **CORPORATE RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE (Pages 13 - 24)**
8. **WHISTLEBLOWING ANNUAL UPDATE (Pages 25 - 30)**
9. **2021/22 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR WIRRAL COUNCIL, MERSEYSIDE PENSION FUND AND ANNUAL GOVERNANCE**

## **STATEMENT (Pages 31 - 362)**

### **Terms of Reference**

The terms of reference for this committee can be found at the end of this agenda.