**To: All Members of the Audit Sub-Committee**
**(and any other Members who may wish to attend)**

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**J. Henshaw**
**LLB (Hons)**
**Clerk to the Authority**

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Your ref: Our ref HP/DM Date: 20 January 2016

Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 28TH JANUARY, 2016** in the Liverpool Suite at Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, Bridle Road, Bootle.

Yours faithfully,

K Kellaway PP

Clerk to the Authority

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**MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE**

**28 JANUARY 2016**

**AGENDA**

**Members**

Denise Roberts (Chair)
Mike Kearns
James Roberts
Paul Tweed
Lesley Rennie

**1. Preliminary Matters**

Members are requested to consider the identification of:

a) declarations of interest by individual Members in relation to any item of business on the Agenda

b) any additional items of business which the Chair has determined should be considered as matters of urgency; and

c) items of business which may require the exclusion of the press and public during consideration thereof because of the possibility of the disclosure of exempt information:

**2. Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 5 - 6)

The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 21st July 2015 are submitted as a correct record and signature by the Chair.

**3. External Audit Update Report** (Pages 7 - 22)

To consider a report from the Authority's External Auditors – Grant Thornton, concerning progress in delivering their responsibilities as External Auditor for the Authority.

***This report will be presented by a representative of Grant Thornton.***

**4.** **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT – APRIL TO NOVEMBER** (Pages 23 - 30)

To consider report CFO/010/16 of the Treasurer concerning work of the Internal Audit for the period April to November 2015.

**5.** **treasury management interim report 2015/16** (Pages 31 - 38)

To consider report CFO/003/16 of the Treasurer outlining the Treasury Management activities and performance for April to November for the financial year 2015/16, in accordance with the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities.

**6.** **CORPORATE RISK REGISTER UPDATE JULY - OCT 2015** (Pages 39 - 60)

To consider report CFO/005/16 of the Deputy Chief Fire Officer, concerning the current risks contained within the Corporate Risk Register, the status of the risks and associated control measures, including reference to any new risks added to the Register or any risks that no longer apply and can be removed.

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If any Members have queries, comments or require additional information relating to any item on the agenda please contact Committee Services and we will endeavour to provide the information you require for the meeting. Of course this does not affect the right of any Member to raise questions in the meeting itself but it may assist Members in their consideration of an item if additional information is available.

Refreshments

Any Members attending on Authority business straight from work or for long periods of time, and require a sandwich, please contact Democratic Services, prior to your arrival, for arrangements to be made.