

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



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Dear Sir/Madam,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **AUDIT COMMITTEE** to be held at **1.00 pm** on **THURSDAY, 6TH JUNE, 2019** in the Liverpool Suite - Fire Service Headquarters.

Yours faithfully,

Clerk to the Authority

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**MERSEYSIDE FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY**

**AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**6 JUNE 2019**

**AGENDA**

**Members**

Anthony Boyle, Independent Person  
Andrew Makinson  
James Roberts  
Adrian Jones  
Brian Kenny (substitute)  
Lisa Preston (substitute)

**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 - 10)**

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019 are submitted as a correct record and for signature by the Chair.

**3. External Audit Plan 2018-19 (Pages 11 - 24)**

To consider the attached report from the Authority's External Auditors – Grant Thornton, concerning the External Audit Plan 2018-19.

4. **treasury management 2018/19 annual report** (Pages 25 - 36)

To consider report CFO/019/19 of the Treasurer concerning the activities of the Treasury Management operation and actual performance against the agreed Prudential Indicators in 2018/19. This report meets the requirements of the CIPFA Code of Practice on Treasury Management and the CIPFA Prudential Code for Capital Finance in Local Authorities. The Authority is required to comply with both Codes through Regulations issued under the Local Government Act 2003.

5. **2018/19 annual year-end internal audit report** (Pages 37 - 52)

To consider report CFO/020/19 of the Treasurer concerning the Annual Year End Internal Audit report for 2018/19.

6. **THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2018/2019** (Pages 53 - 66)

To consider report CFO/018/19 of the Treasurer concerning the Authority's Annual Governance Statement. This statement fulfils the Authority's statutory requirement to prepare a statement of internal control in accordance with proper practices, and to present an annual review of the effectiveness of the current arrangements.

7. **2019/20 Internal Audit Plan** (Pages 67 - 72)

To consider report CFO/017/19 of the Treasurer concerning the proposed Internal Audit plan for 2019/20 and to seek comments from Members on the plan.

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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.