

Audit Committee

Agenda

**Tuesday, 28 June 2022 at 6.30 p.m.
Committee Room One - Town Hall, Mulberry
Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG**

Members:

Chair:

Vice Chair:

Councillor Jahed Choudhury, Councillor Saied Ahmed, Councillor Ohid Ahmed, Councillor Kabir Hussain, Councillor Ahmodur Khan, Councillor Rachel Blake, Councillor Mufeedah Bustin, Councillor Asma Islam and Councillor James King

Independent Member:

Charlotte Webster

Substitutes: Councillor Mohammad Chowdhury, Councillor Abdal Ullah, Councillor Ayas Miah, Councillor Abu Chowdhury and Councillor Ahmodul Kabir

[The quorum for the Audit Committee is 3 voting Members]

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A Guide to Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is responsible for considering the Council's arrangements for internal control, governance and financial management and recommending any actions accordingly.

This includes:

- Audit Plans.
- Reports from external audit (such as the Annual Audit Letter and Governance Report).
- The Annual Governance Statement.
- Anti-fraud and corruption initiatives.
- Authority's Risk Management Arrangements.
- The administration of the Council's financial affairs.
- Approving the Authority's Statement of Accounts.

Public Engagement

Meetings of the committee are open to the public to attend, and a timetable for meeting dates and deadlines can be found on the council's website.

London Borough of Tower Hamlets



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1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR FOR THE MEETING

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (PAGES 7 - 8)

Members are reminded to consider the categories of interest, identified in the Code of Conduct for Members to determine: whether they have an interest in any agenda item and any action they should take. For further details, see the attached note from the Monitoring Officer.

Members are also reminded to declare the nature of the interest at the earliest opportunity and the agenda item it relates to. Please note that ultimately it is the Members' responsibility to identify any interests and also update their register of interest form as required by the Code.

If in doubt as to the nature of an interest, you are advised to seek advice prior the meeting by contacting the Monitoring Officer or Democratic Services.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

4. Audit Committee Terms of Reference, Membership, Quorum and Dates of Meetings 2022-2023

5. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (PAGES 21 - 30)

To confirm the unrestricted minutes of the Audit Committee held on 24th March 2022.

6. DELOITTE ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. TOWER HAMLETS ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1 Final Report on the Finance Improvement Plan (Pages 31 - 52)



- 7 .2 Treasury Management Outturn Report for 2021-22 (Pages 53 - 74)**
- 7 .3 Annual Internal Audit Report for June Audit Committee (Pages 75 - 112)**
- 7 .4 Corporate/Directorate Risks Register Report 22/23 Q1 (Pages 113 - 148)**
- 7 .5 Internal Audit and Anti-Fraud Progress Quarterly Reports (22-23) Q1 (Pages 149 - 156)**
- 8. AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PLAN**
- 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT**
- 10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda the Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion: “That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act,1972.”

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10 .1 RESTRICTED MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) (Pages 165 - 174)

To confirm the restricted minutes of the Audit Committee held on 24th March 2022.

Next Meeting of the Audit Committee

Thursday, 24 November 2022 at 6.30 p.m. to be held in Committee Room One - Town Hall, Mulberry Place, 5 Clove Crescent, London, E14 2BG

