



**Meeting:** Audit and Governance Committee

**Date:** Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Time:** 2.00 pm

**Venue:** Council Chamber, The Cube, George Street, Corby, Northants.

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#### To:

#### **Members of the Audit and Governance Committee**

Councillors Andrew Weatherill (Chair), Jonathan Ekins (Vice-Chair), Valerie Anslow, Kirk Harrison, Bert Jackson Ian Jelley, Anne Lee, Richard Levell, Paul Marks, and Russell Roberts.

Mr Michael Whitworth (Independent Person)

### **Substitutes:**

Councillors Jean Addison, Paul Bell, Melanie Coleman, John Currall, Tom Partridge-Underwood, Mark Pengelly, Roger Powell, Chris Smith-Haynes and Lee Wilkes

Agenda				
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01	Apologies for non-attendance			
02	Members' Declarations of Interests			
03	Minutes of the meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> August 2023		5 - 12	
Items for discussion				
04	Statement of Accounts 2020-21 (Corby Borough Council)	Claire Edwards Assistant Director of Finance and Accountancy	To Follow	
05	Audit Results Report	Ernst & Young	To Follow	

06	Northamptonshire Children's Trust Assurance Arrangements and Annual Internal Audit Report 2022/23	Andrew Tagg & Colin Foster (NCT)	13 - 36		
07	Internal Audit Progress Report	Rachel Ashley-Caunt Chief Internal Auditor	37 - 60		
Urgent Items					
	To consider any items of business for which notice has been given to the Proper Officer prior to the meeting and the Chairman considers to be urgent pursuant to the Local Government Act 1972.				
Exempt Items					
08	None Notified				
09	Close of Meeting				
Adele Wylie, Monitoring Officer					
North Northamptonshire Council					
and in					
Proper Officer					
15 <sup>th</sup> September 2023					

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