Audit Committee Thursday 28 July 2022 10.30 am Luttrell Room - County Hall, **Taunton**



To: The Members of the Audit Committee

Cllr D Ruddle (Chair), Cllr A Sully (Vice-Chair), Cllr L Baker, Cllr S Carswell, Cllr M Caswell, Cllr N Cavill, Cllr M Chilcott, Cllr P Clayton, Cllr H Davies, Cllr H Farbahi, Cllr T Kerley, Cllr M Lewis, Cllr J Snell and Mrs J Whitten.

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Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Head of Governance & Democratic Services - 20 July 2022

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AGENDA

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* Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe *

1 Apologies for absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils can be viewed on the Council Website at County Councillors membership of Town, City, Parish or District Councils and this will be displayed in the meeting room (Where relevant).

The Statutory Register of Member's Interests can be inspected via request to the Democratic Service Team.

3 **Minutes from the last meeting** (Pages 9 - 14)

The Committee is asked to confirm the minutes are accurate.

4 Public Question Time

The Chairman will allow members of the public to present a petition on any matter within the Committee's remit. Questions or statements about any matter on the agenda for this meeting will be taken at the time when each matter is considered.

5 Annual Audit Opinion from SWAP (Pages 15 - 36)

To consider this report.

6 Internal Audit Update (Pages 37 - 54)

To consider this report.

7 **External Audit Update** (Pages 55 - 78)

To consider this report.

8 External Audit Plan for the Council and Pension Fund (Pages 79 - 124)

To consider this report.

9 Risk Management Update (Pages 125 - 176)

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To consider this report.

10 **Draft Annual Governance Statement (AGS)** (Pages 177 - 208)

To consider this report.

11 Committee Future Work Programme (Pages 209 - 210)

To consider this report.

12 Any other urgent items of business

The Chairman may raise any items of urgent business.