AUDIT COMMITTEE Thursday 19 January 2023 10.00 am Luttrell Room - County Hall, Taunton



To: The members of the Audit Committee

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

All Somerset County Council Members are invited to attend.

Issued By Scott Wooldridge, Strategic Manager - Governance and Democratic Services - 11 January 2023

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AGENDA

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* Public Guidance notes contained in agenda annexe *

1 Apologies for absence

To receive apologies from members

2 **Declarations of Interest**

Details of all Members' interests in District, Town and Parish Councils can be viewed on the Council Website at <u>County Councillors membership of Town, City, Parish or District Councils</u> 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 meeting held on 24th November 2022 (Pages 9 - 14)

Members are asked to confirm that the minutes of the previous meeting are a true and accurate record.

4 **Public Question Time**

The Chair 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 External Annual Audit Findings report 21/22 (Pages 15 - 56)

To sign off the final 21/22 report.

6 Approval of Accounts 21/22 (Pages 57 - 322)

To sign off the final accounts 21/22.

7 Internal Audit update report (Pages 323 - 342)

To consider this report

8 Somerset Council Risk Management Policy & Strategy (Pages 343 - 370)

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To consider this report

9 SCC Strategic Risk Update (Pages 371 - 384)

To consider this report

10 LGR Strategic Programme Risk update (Pages 385 - 396)

To consider this report

11 **Audit committee work programme** (Pages 397 - 398)

Members are asked to consider and comment on the Audit committee work programme.

12 Any other urgent items of business

The Chair may raise any items of urgent business.