



GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

MEETING TO BE HELD AT 11.00 AM ON MONDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2023 IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1, WELLINGTON HOUSE, 40-50 WELLINGTON STREET, LEEDS

AGENDA

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- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS
- 3. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC
 - 1. To highlight Appendix 4 to Agenda Item 8 which officers have identified as containing exempt information within the meaning of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, and where officers consider that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, for the reasons outlined in the report.
 - 2. To consider whether or not to accept the officers' recommendation in respect of the above information as set out in paragraph 7.1 of Agenda Item 8.
 - 2. If the recommendation is accepted, to formally pass the following resolution:-

RESOLVED – That in accordance with paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Appendix 4 to Agenda Item 8 on the grounds that it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings, that if members of the press and public were present there

would be disclosure to them of exempt information and that in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON 24 JULY 2023

(Pages 1 - 4)

5. INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Director: Alan Reiss; **Lead Author**: Bronwyn Baker (Pages 5 - 20)

6. EXTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Director: Angela Taylor; **Lead Author**: Gary Dowson (Pages 21 - 28)

7. COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING

Lead Director: Alan Reiss; **Lead Author**: Caroline Allen (Pages 29 - 40)

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

Lead Director: Alan Reiss; **Lead Author**: Caroline Allen (Pages 41 - 54)

9. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE UPDATE

Lead Director: Alan Reiss; **Lead Author**: Caroline Allen (Pages 55 - 100)

10. BUS REFORM

Lead Director: Simon Warburton; **Lead Author**: Alexander Clarke (Pages 101 - 108)

Signed:

Chief Executive

West Yorkshire Combined Authority