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To: The Chair and Members of the Audit Committee

County Hall Topsham Road Exeter Devon EX2 4QD

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## AUDIT COMMITTEE

## Wednesday, 28th February, 2024

A meeting of the Audit Committee is to be held on the above date at 2.15 pm in the Committee Suite - County Hall to consider the following matters.

Donna Manson Chief Executive

# AGENDA

## **PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE**

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 <u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of the meeting held on 27 November 2023 (previously circulated).

3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as a matter of urgency.

4 <u>Devon County Council - Audit Findings 2022/23</u> (Pages 1 - 52)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value and the External Auditor, Grant Thornton (DFP/24/35), attached.

5 <u>Devon Pension Fund - Audit Findings 2022/23</u> (Pages 53 - 86)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value and the External Auditor, Grant Thornton (DFP/24/36), attached.

6 <u>Statement of Accounts 2022/23</u> (Pages 87)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/37), attached.

7 <u>Auditor's Annual Report 2020/21 and 2021/22</u> (Pages 345 - 388)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/38), attached.

8 <u>Auditor's Annual Report 2022/23</u> (Pages 389 - 438)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/39), attached.

9 <u>SEND Update</u> (Pages 439 - 446)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value and Director of Children & Young People's Futures (DFP/24/41), attached.

10 Draft Internal Audit & Counter Fraud Plan 2024/25 (Pages 447 - 460)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DPV/24/21), attached.

11 Internal Audit Update (Pages 461 - 486)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/20), attached.

12 Risk Management Update (Pages 487 - 504)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/22), attached.

13 <u>Counter Fraud Update</u> (Pages 505 - 516)

Report of the Director of Finance and Public Value (DFP/24/23), attached.

14 <u>Future Meetings</u>

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#### PART II - ITEMS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN IN THE ABSENCE OF PRESS AND PUBLIC ON THE GROUNDS THAT EXEMPT INFORMATION MAY BE DISCLOSED

None

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