Risk, Audit and Governance Committee

Agenda 23 November 2026

10.00am

Yare House, 62-64 Thorpe Road, Norwich, NR1 1RY

Sarah Cowley, Chief Executive – Monday, 16 November 2026

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Introduction

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. **Appointment of Chair**
   Nominations for Chair have been received for:
   Tristram Hilborn, proposed by Harry Blathwayt, seconded by Tony Grayling
3. **Appointment of Vice-Chair**
   Nominations for Vice-Chair have been received for:
   Tony Grayling, proposed by Tristram Hilborn, seconded by Harry Blathwayt
4. Introduction of members and declarations of interest (see Appendix 1 to the Agenda for guidance on your participation having declared an interest in the relevant agenda item)
5. To note whether any items have been proposed as matters of urgent business
6. **To receive and confirm the minutes of the Risk, Audit and Governance Committee meeting held on 21 July 2026** (Pages 4-13)

Audit and Financial direction

7. **Audit Annual Report and Results 2025/26** (Pages 14-95)
   Report by EY and Director of Resources
8. **Statement of Accounts 2025/26** (Pages 96-191)
   Report by Director of Resources

9. **Consolidated income and expenditure – 1 April to 30 September 2026 actual and 2026/27 forecast outturn** (Pages 192-210)
   Report by Senior Accountant

10. **Financial Management Code** (Pages 211-234)
    Report by Director of Resources

Governance

11. **Corporate Risk Register** (Pages 235-252)
    Report by Head of Governance

12. **Corporate Partnerships Register** (Pages 253-276)
    Report by Head of Governance

13. **Implementation of internal audit recommendations: summary of progress** (Pages 277-286)
    Report by Senior Accountant

Other matters

14. Other items of business
    Items of business which the chairman decides should be considered as a matter of urgency pursuant to Section 100B (4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972

15. To answer any formal questions of which due notice has been given

16. **To note the date of the next meeting – Tuesday 23 February 2027 at 10.00am at Yare House, 62/64 Thorpe Road, Norwich**

17. Exclusion of the public
    The Authority is asked to consider exclusion of the public from the meeting under Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 for the consideration of the item below on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by Paragraphs 3 and 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act as amended, and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public benefit in disclosing the information.

18. **To receive the exempt minutes from the meeting held on 21 July 2026** (Pages 287-289)

19. **Treasury Management review** (Pages 290-293)
    Report by Director of Resources

For further information about this meeting please contact the Governance team

Appendix 1 – Extract from the Local Government Association Model Councillor Code of Conduct

