



**West Midlands
Combined Authority**

Audit, Risk & Assurance Committee

Date: Wednesday 4 October 2023

Time: 10.00 am **Public meeting** Yes

Venue: Room 116, West Midlands Combined Authority, 16 Summer Lane, Birmingham, B19 3SD

Membership

Mark Smith (Chair)

Councillor Karen Ashley

Councillor Nick Bardsley

Councillor Richard Baxter-Payne

Councillor Dave Borley

Councillor Jaspreet Jaspal

Councillor Brigid Jones

Councillor Leslie Kaye

Councillor Ram Lakha OBE

Councillor Rose Martin

Councillor Liam Preece

Lisa Ritchie

Worcestershire Non-Constituent Authorities

Shropshire Council Non- Constituent Authorities

Warwickshire Non-Constituent Authorities

Dudley Metropolitan Council

City of Wolverhampton Council

Birmingham City Council

Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Coventry City Council

Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Business Representative

The quorum for this meeting shall be two thirds of its membership.

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AGENDA

No.	Item	Presenting	Pages	Time
Meeting Business Items				
Items of Public Business				
1.	Apologies for Absence (if any)	Chair	None	10:00
2.	Declarations of Interest (if any) Members are reminded of the need to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests they have in an item being discussed during the course of the meeting. In addition, the receipt of any gift or hospitality should be declared where the value of it was thought to have exceeded £25 (gifts) or £40 (hospitality).	Chair	None	10:03
3.	Chair's Remarks (if any)	Chair	None	10:05
4.	Minutes - 19 July 2023	Chair	1 - 8	10:10
5.	Action List	Chair	9 - 10	10:15
6.	West Midlands Combined Authority Audit Progress Report and Sector Update	Linda Horne/Grant Thornton	11 - 20	10:20
7.	WMCA Loan to Woking Borough Council - Briefing Note	Linda Horne	21 - 22	10:30
8.	WMCA Strategic Risk Update	Peter Astrella	23 - 52	10:45
9.	Update on Internal Audit Resourcing	Julia Cleary	Verbal Report	11:00
10.	Internal Audit Update	Lorraine Quibell	53 - 106	11:10
11.	Key Financial Systems Audit: Accounts Payable Update	Louise Cowen	107 - 114	11:20
12.	Housing Investigation - Action Plan Update	Nigel Ford	115 - 122	11:25
13.	Single Assurance Framework Assurance Performance Report April to June 2023	Joti Sharma	123 - 136	11:30
14.	Single Assurance Framework Annual Refresh 2023	Joti Sharma	137 - 186	11:40
15.	Summary of WMCA Arm's length companies	Helen Edwards/Linda Horne	187 - 194	11:50

16.	Forward Plan	Chair	195 - 196	11:55
Date of Next Meeting				
17.	Monday 4 December 2023 at 10.00am	Chair	None	