

Audit, Risk & Assurance Committee

Date: Monday 4 December 2023

Time: 10.00 am Public meeting Yes

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

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Membership

Mark Smith (Chair)

Councillor Karen Ashley Worcestershire Non-Constituent Authorities
Councillor Nick Bardsley Shropshire Council Non- Constituent Authorities

Councillor Richard Baxter-Payne Warwickshire Non-Constituent Authorities

Councillor Dave Borley

Councillor Jaspreet Jaspal

Councillor Brigid Jones

Dudley Metropolitan Council

City of Wolverhampton Council

Birmingham City Council

Councillor Leslie Kaye Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

Councillor Ram Lakha OBE Coventry City Council

Councillor Rose Martin Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council
Councillor Liam Preece Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council

Lisa Ritchie Business Representative

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

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AGENDA

No.	Item	Presenting	Pages	Time				
Meet	Meeting Business Items							
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	10:02				
3.	Chair's Remarks (if any)	Chair	None	10:03				
4.	Minutes - 4 October 2023	Chair	1 - 8	10:05				
5.	Action List	Chair	9 - 10	10:10				
6.	Annual Accounts 2022/ 23 for West Midlands Combined Authority (a) Annual Accounts for 2022/23 for the WMCA (covering report) (b) WMCA Financial Report (c) Audit Findings (d) Auditor's Annual Report	Linda Horne /Grant Thornton	11 - 206	10:15				
7.	Treasury Management Mid-Year Report 2023/24	Mark Finnegan	207 - 222	10:55				
8.	Internal Audit Report	Loraine Quibell	223 - 240	11:10				
9.	Financial Due Diligence Checks on Suppliers in response to Rail Package Package 1	Linda Horne	241 - 246	11:25				
10.	Assurance Performance Report -July to September 2023	Joti Sharma	247 - 256	11:35				
11.	Forward Plan	Chair	257 - 258	11:45				
12.	Exclusion of the Public and Press To pass the following resolution: That in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business as they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular	Chair	None					

	person (including the authority holding that information)						
13.	Update on Whistleblowing Claims	Loraine Quibell	259 - 262	11:50			
Date of Next Meeting- 30 January 2024							