

## *AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE AGENDA*

**Thursday, 7 March 2024 at 10.00 am in the Blaydon Room**

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From the Chief Executive, Sheena Ramsey

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Item	Business
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes</b> (Pages 3 - 4)  The Committee is asked to approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2024.
<b>3</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>  Members of the Committee are invited to declare interests in any agenda items.
<b>4</b>	<b>Annual Governance Statement 2023/24 - Assurance Framework</b> (Pages 5 - 10)  Report of the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital
<b>5</b>	<b>Treasury Management 2023/24 Quarter 3 Performance</b> (Pages 11 - 18)  Report of the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital.
<b>6</b>	<b>Treasury Management Strategy 2024-25</b> (Pages 19 - 50)  Report of the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital
<b>7</b>	<b>Local audit delays: proposals to clear the backlog and embed timely audit</b> (Pages 51 - 56)  Report of the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital
<b>8</b>	<b>Mazars External Audit Progress Report</b>  Report of the Strategic Director, Resources and Digital
<b>9</b>	<b>Date and time of next meeting</b>  Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 4pm in the Blaydon Room

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