Date of meeting Monday, 6th July, 2015

Time 7.00 pm

Venue Training Room 1 - Civic Offices, Merrial Street,

Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 2AG

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# **Audit and Risk Committee**

## **AGENDA**

### **PART 1 – OPEN AGENDA**

1	Apologies
2	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(Pages 3 - 6)

To consider the minutes of the previous meeting(s).

#### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Declarations of Interest from Members on items included in the agenda

4	Audit and Risk Committee Terms of Reference	(Pages 7 - 8)
5	Audit and Risk Committee Plan of Work	(Pages 9 - 10)
6	Health and Safety Annual Report	(Pages 11 - 20)
7	Corporate Risk Management Report January to March 2015	(Pages 21 - 26)
8	Treasury Management Report 2014/2015	(Pages 27 - 38)
9	Statement of Accounts	(Pages 39 - 50)
10	Adoption of Internal Audit High Risk Recommendations and Summary of Assurance	(Pages 51 - 58)
11	Internal Audit Annual Report	(Pages 59 - 74)
12	Review of the Effectiveness of the Audit Committee	(Pages 75 - 82)
13	Self Assessment of Internal Audit	(Pages 83 - 114)
14	Annual Governance Statement	(Pages 115 - 130)
15	Local Government Association Peer Review	(Pages 131 - 150)
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#### 16 URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any business which is urgent within the meaning of Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972

Members: Councillors Burgess, Dymond (Vice-Chair), Loades, Owen, Pickup (Chair),

Waring and Hambleton

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