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| CITY OF<br>WOLVERHAMPTON<br>COUNCIL        | Meeting of the City Council<br>20 September 2017 |  |
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| Report title                               | Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report 2016 -17  |  |
| Referring Body                             | Audit and Risk Committee, 3 July 2017            |  |
| Councillor to present                      | Councillor Craig Collingswood                    |  |
| Wards affected                             | All  |  |
| Cabinet member with<br>lead responsibility | Councillor Andrew Johnson, Resources             |  |
| Accountable director                       | Claire Nye, Finance                              |  |
| Originating service                        | Audit  |  |
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| Report to be/has been considered by        | Audit and Risk<br>Committee                      | 3 July 2017  |

# Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Council is recommended to:

1. Approve the contents of the Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report 2016 -17, attached as an appendix.

### 1.0 Purpose

1.1 This report summarises the main areas of work undertaken by the Audit and Risk Committee during 2016-17.

# 2.0 Background

2.1 The purpose of the Audit and Risk Committee is to provide independent assurance on the adequacy of the risk management framework and the internal control environment. It provides an independent review of the governance, risk management and control frameworks and oversees the financial reporting and annual governance processes. It oversees internal audit and external audit, helping to ensure efficient and effective assurance arrangements are in place.

# 3.0 Progress, options, discussion

3.1 The Audit and Risk Committee work programme for 2017- 18 will continue to be developed and presented at regular meetings of the Committee.

# 4.0 Financial implications

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

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### 5.0 Legal implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

[RB/12092017/U]

### 6.0 Equalities implications

6.1 There are no equalities implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

### 7.0 Environmental implications

7.1 There are no environmental implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

### 8.0 Human resources implications

8.1 There are no human resources implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

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# 9.0 Corporate Landlord implications

9.1 There are no Corporate Landlord implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

# 10.0 Schedule of background papers

Appendix - Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report 2016 - 17