### Council – 3rd September 2019

# Recommendation from Audit and Procurement Committee 15 July 2019

## Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of the Audit and Procurement Committee held at 3.00 pm on Monday, 15 July 2018

Present:

Members: Councillor R Lakha (Chair)

Councillor J Blundell

Councillor R Brown (Named Substitute - substitute for

Councillor H Sweet)
Councillor T Sawdon
Councillor R Singh

Employees (by Directorate):

Place P Baggott, M Burn, B Hastie, P Jennings, J Newman,

M Salmon, A West

Others Present:

A Sohal – Grant Thornton, External Auditor M Stocks - Grant Thornton, External Auditor

Apologies: Councillor M Ali

Councillor S Bains Councillor H Sweet

#### **Public Business**

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### 18. Audit and Procurement Committee Annual Report 2018-2019

The Audit and Procurement Committee considered the Committee's Annual Report that provided an overview of its activity during 2018-2019. Councillor Brown, Chair of the Audit and Procurement Committee for 2018-2019, was in attendance and presented the report to Members. The report would be submitted to the City Council at their meeting on 3rd September 2019.

During the previous Municipal Year, the Committee met on seven occasions and the report detailed all the routine reports considered during this time which were based around the clearly defined expectations of the services and functions that reported to the Committee such as governance; internal and external audit; fraud; procurement and financial management and accounting.

The Audit and Procurement Committee also supported the Council in considering other areas linked to risk management, internal control and governance and in 2018-19, this included the following: Information Commissioner's Office: Data Protection Audit – In November 2017; 2017-18 Information Governance Annual; Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2018 Annual Compliance Report; Complaints to the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman 2017-18; Corporate Risk Register; Fraud and Corruption Strategy; School audit recommendations; Updated procedural guidance – Regulation of Investigatory Powers (RIPA); and Finance and Governance Arrangements reports in November 2018 and March 2019, outlining the finance and governance arrangements in respect of both Coombe Abbey Park Ltd and Culture Coventry Trust.

The Cabinet agreed to recommend that the City Council consider the Annual Report 2018-2019 at their meeting on 3rd September 2019.

RESOLVED that the Audit and Procurement Committee recommends that City Council considers the Audit and Procurement Committee Annual Report 2018-2019 at their meeting on 3rd September 2019.