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To: Councillors John Farrar, Lance Jones, Alex Smith, Valerie Raven-Hill, Robin Underwood, Peter Wathen and Colin Wright.

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Date:
27 June 2016

Members of the Committee are invited to attend a presentation on the Draft Statement of Accounts prior to the meeting, commencing at 6.45pm in the Council Chamber.

Dear Councillor,

A meeting of the **Governance and Audit Committee** will be held in the **Council Chamber**, East Northamptonshire House, Cedar Drive, Thrapston, on **Wednesday 6 July 2016** at 7.30pm.

AGENDA

A period of not more than 15 minutes will be allowed to enable members of the public, who have notified their intention to speak, to address the meeting.

- 1. Apologies for absence**
- 2. Minutes of the meeting held on 18 April 2016 (attached)**
If you have any queries in respect of the accuracy of the minutes, please notify Paul Smith prior to the meeting.
- 3. Declarations of Interest**
- 4. Questions by Members under Council procedure rule 10.3 (if any).**

Members of the Committee have the right to ask the Chairman a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties or which affects East Northamptonshire and which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee - provided that notice is given to the Chief Executive by 5pm on the working day preceding the meeting. The functions of the Committee are to be found in part 3 of the Council Constitution. A form for use by Members is available on the Council's intranet (Eunice). Alternatively please telephone Paul Smith or e-mail psmith@east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

5. **Welland Internal Audit Consortium – Annual Internal Audit Report and Opinion** (report of the Head of Internal Audit – **attached**)
6. **Welland Internal Audit Consortium – Internal Audit Progress and Performance** (report of the Head of Internal Audit – **attached**)
7. **External Audit Progress Report and Technical Update** (report of the External Auditor – **attached**)
8. **Draft Statement of Accounts 2015/16** (report of the Finance Manager – **attached**)
9. **Risk Management Update – Quarter 1 (2016/17)** (report of the Finance Manager – **attached**)
10. **Purchase Order Status** (verbal report of the Finance Manager)
11. **Self Assessment** (verbal update by the Chairman)

The Committee shall resolve to exclude the public and press from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business because exempt information, as defined under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, may be disclosed.

12. **Future of Internal Audit** (report of the Finance Manager – **attached**)

Yours sincerely

**DAVID OLIVER
Chief Executive**

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