

**Decisions to be considered by
Full Council on 13 December 2016**

Minutes of the meeting of the AUDIT,
GOVERNANCE AND STANDARDS
COMMITTEE held at 9.30 am on Tuesday,
20th September, 2016 at MAIN COMMITTEE
ROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, STONE CROSS,
NORTHALLERTON

Present

Councillor R W Hudson (in the Chair)

Councillor C Patmore
R A Baker

Councillor Mrs J Watson
P R Wilkinson

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs C S Cookman and G W Dadd

AGS.14 **SECTOR LED BODY FOR APPOINTMENT OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS - OPT IN**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

This report sought consideration and approval of the proposal from the Local Government Association (LGA) that Public Sector Audit Appointments Ltd (PSAA) was appointed as the sector-led body to procure future External Audit contracts for Local Government.

Alternative options considered:

None.

The reason for the decision:

To comply with Section 7 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 which required a relevant authority to appoint a local auditor to audit its accounts for a financial year not later than 31 December in the preceding year.

THE DECISION:

That Audit, Governance & Standards Committee approves and recommends to Council to Opt-in to an approved sector led body, specifically Public Sector Audit Appointments Ltd, to act as the Appointing Person for the appointment of External Auditors for the Council.

The meeting closed at 10.15 am

Chairman of the Committee