

**Decisions to be considered by
Full Council on 22 February 2022**

Minutes of the meeting of the Audit,
Governance and Standards Committee held
at 9.30 am on Tuesday, 25th January, 2022
at Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Stone
Cross, Rotary Way, Northallerton, DL6 2UU

Present

Councillor N A Knapton (in the Chair)

Councillor	P Atkin	Councillor	Mrs B S Fortune
	P Bardon		K G Hardisty
	D B Elders		R W Hudson

AGS.15 **Appointment of External Auditor**

All Wards

The subject of the decision:

Under the Local Government Audit & Accountability Act 2014 (“the Act”), the Council is required to appoint an auditor to audit its accounts for each financial year.

Alternative options considered:

The options considered were as set out in the report.

The reason for the decision:

Appointing an appropriate external auditor was a requirement the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014. Section 7 of the Act requires a relevant Council to appoint a local auditor to audit its accounts for a financial year not later than 31 December in the preceding year. Approving this report met the statutory requirements

The decision:

The Audit, Governance and Standards Committee recommends that Council accepts Public Sector Audit Appointments’ invitation to opt into the sector-led option for the appointment of external auditors to principal local government and police bodies for five financial years from 1 April 2023

The meeting closed at 10.36 am

Chairman of the Committee