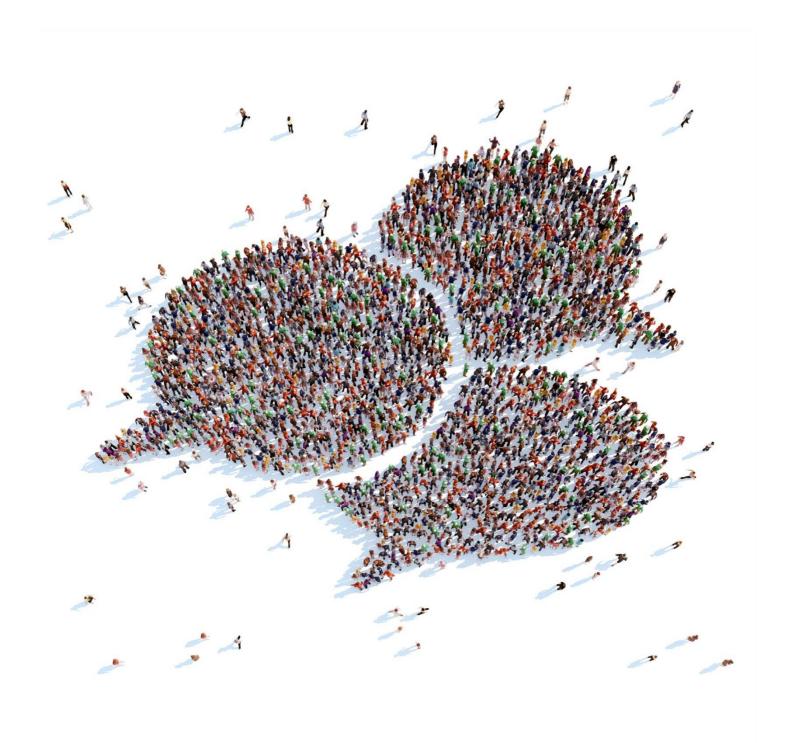
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Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Year ending 31 March 2020





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27 January 2020

Dear Sirs / Madams

Audit Strategy Memorandum - Year ending 31 March 2020

We are pleased to present our Audit Strategy Memorandum for Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (the Council) and Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Group (the Group) for the year ending 31 March 2020.

The purpose of this document is to summarise our audit approach, highlight significant audit risks and areas of key judgements and provide you with the details of our audit team. As it is a fundamental requirement that an auditor is, and is seen to be, independent of its clients, Section 7 of this document also summarises our considerations and conclusions on our independence as auditors.

We consider two-way communication with you to be key to a successful audit and important in:

- reaching a mutual understanding of the scope of the audit and the responsibilities of each of us;
- sharing information to assist each of us to fulfil our respective responsibilities;
- providing you with constructive observations arising from the audit process; and
- ensuring that we, as external auditors, gain an understanding of your attitude and views in respect of the internal and external
 operational, financial, compliance and other risks facing the Council and the Group which may affect the audit, including the
 likelihood of those risks materialising and how they are monitored and managed.

This document, which has been prepared following our initial planning discussions with management, is the basis for discussion of our audit approach, and any questions or input you may have on our approach or role as auditor.

This document also contains specific appendices that outline our key communications with you during the course of the audit, and forthcoming accounting issues and other issues that may be of interest.

Client service is extremely important to us and we strive to continuously provide technical excellence with the highest level of service quality, together with continuous improvement to exceed your expectations so, if you have any concerns or comments about this document or audit approach, please contact me on 0191 383 6300.

Yours faithfully



Gavin Barker

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ENGAGEMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES SUMMARY

Overview of engagement

We are appointed to perform the external audit of Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (the Council) and Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council Group (the Group) for the year to 31 March 2020. The scope of our engagement is set out in the Statement of Responsibilities of Auditors and Audited Bodies, issued by Public Sector Audit Appointments Ltd (PSAA) available from the PSAA website: https://www.psaa.co.uk/managing-audit-quality/statement-of-responsibilities-of-auditors-and-audited-bodies/

Our responsibilities

Our responsibilities are principally derived from the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (the 2014 Act) and the Code of Audit Practice issued by the National Audit Office (NAO), as outlined below:

Audit opinion

We are responsible for forming and expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

Our audit is planned and performed so to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material error and give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the Council and the Group for the year.

Value for Money We are required to conclude whether the Council has proper arrangements in place to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in it its use of resources. We discuss our approach to Value for Money work further in section 5 of this report.

Reporting to the NAO

We report to the NAO on the Council's/Group's Whole of Government Accounts (WGA) submission, in line with the NAO instructions.

Electors' rights

The 2014 Act requires us to give an elector, or any representative of the elector, the opportunity to question us about the accounting records of the Council and consider any objection made to the accounts. We also have a broad range of reporting responsibilities and powers that are unique to the audit of local authorities in the United Kingdom.

Our audit does not relieve management or those charged with governance, of their responsibilities. The responsibility for safeguarding assets and for the prevention and detection of fraud, error and non-compliance with law or regulations rests with both those charged with governance and management. In accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK), we plan and perform our audit so as to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements taken as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. However our audit should not be relied upon to identify all such misstatements.

As part of our audit procedures in relation to fraud we are required to enquire of those charged with governance as to their knowledge of instances of fraud, the risk of fraud and their views on management controls that mitigate the fraud risks.

The Council and Group are required to prepare their financial statements on a going concern basis by the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting. As auditors, we are required to consider the appropriateness of the use of the going concern assumption in the preparation of the financial statements and the adequacy of disclosures made.

For the purpose of our audit, we have identified the Audit and Governance Committee as those charged with governance.

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3. AUDIT SCOPE, APPROACH AND TIMELINE

Audit scope

Our audit approach is designed to provide an audit that complies with all professional requirements.

Our audit of the financial statements will be conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK), relevant ethical and professional standards, our own audit approach and in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work is focused on those aspects of your business which we consider to have a higher risk of material misstatement, such as those affected by management judgement and estimation, application of new accounting standards, changes of accounting policy, changes to operations or areas which have been found to contain material errors in the past.

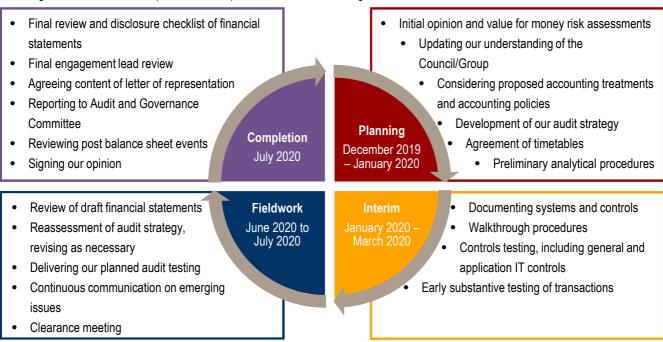
Audit approach

Our audit approach is a risk-based approach primarily driven by the risks we consider to result in a higher risk of material misstatement of the financial statements. Once we have completed our risk assessment, we develop our audit strategy and design audit procedures in response to this assessment.

If we conclude that appropriately-designed controls are in place then we may plan to test and rely upon these controls. If we decide controls are not appropriately designed, or we decide it would be more efficient to do so, we may take a wholly substantive approach to our audit testing. Substantive procedures are audit procedures designed to detect material misstatements at the assertion level and comprise tests of details (of classes of transactions, account balances, and disclosures) and substantive analytical procedures. Irrespective of the assessed risks of material misstatement, which take into account our evaluation of the operating effectiveness of controls, we are required to design and perform substantive procedures for each material class of transactions, account balance, and disclosure.

Our audit will be planned and performed so as to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement and give a true and fair view. The concept of materiality and how we define a misstatement is explained in more detail in section 8.

The diagram below outlines the procedures we perform at the different stages of the audit.





3. AUDIT SCOPE, APPROACH AND TIMELINE (CONTINUED)

Reliance on internal audit

Where possible we will seek to utilise the work performed by internal audit to modify the nature, extent and timing of our audit procedures. We will meet with internal audit to discuss the progress and findings of their work prior to the commencement of our controls evaluation procedures.

Where we intend to rely on the work of internal audit, we will evaluate the work performed by your internal audit team and perform our own audit procedures to determine its adequacy for our audit.

Management's and our experts

Management makes use of experts in specific areas when preparing the Council's and Group's financial statements. We also use experts to assist us to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence on specific items of account.

Items of account	Management's expert	Our expert
Defined benefit liability	Actuary (Aon Hewitt)	NAO's consulting actuary (PWC)
Property, plant and equipment valuation	Internal valuer from the Council and external valuers for specific assets where required.	We will carry out substantive testing and consider available third party information in challenging key valuation assumptions.
Financial instrument disclosures	Arlingclose	~

Service organisations

International Auditing Standards (UK) define service organisations as third party organisations that provide services to the Council/Group that are part of its information systems relevant to financial reporting. We are required to obtain an understanding of the services provided by service organisations as well as evaluating the design and implementation of controls over those services.

We have not identified any service organisations which impact on the production of the financial statements which have an impact on our audit.

Group audit approach

We are responsible for the audit of the group financial statements, which consolidate the Council's single entity accounts with the components of Stockton Borough Holding Company Limited and Stockton Hotels Company Limited. In 2019/20, the component transactions are expected to be around 1% of the group based on operating expenditure, and are consequently not significant components.

Our group audit approach for 2019/20 will include:

- analytical procedures at group audit level supplemented by tests of detail if appropriate;
- undertaking reasonableness checks on the information to be included in the statements in relation to the entities. We will also assess
 the controls that management have put in place over the information to be included in the group accounts and assess the potential
 impact on our audit work;
- updating our understanding of how the Council prepares its group statements and manages the consolidation process; and
- the audit of the group financial statements, ensuring appropriate consolidation adjustments and disclosures of the information provided by the other entities.





4. SIGNIFICANT RISKS AND KEY JUDGEMENT AREAS

Following the risk assessment approach discussed in section 3 of this document, we have identified relevant risks to the audit of financial statements. The risks that we identify are categorised as significant, enhanced or standard, as defined below:

Significant risk

A significant risk is an identified and assessed risk of material misstatement that, in the auditor's judgment, requires special audit consideration. For any significant risk, the auditor shall obtain an understanding of the entity's controls, including control activities relevant to that risk.

Enhanced risk

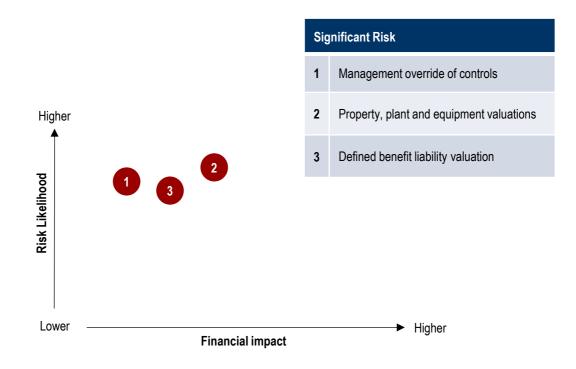
An enhanced risk is an area of higher assessed risk of material misstatement at audit assertion level other than a significant risk. Enhanced risks incorporate but may not be limited to:

- key areas of management judgement, including accounting estimates which are material but are not considered to give rise to a significant risk of material misstatement; and
- other audit assertion risks arising from significant events or transactions that occurred during the period.

Standard risk

This is related to relatively routine, non-complex transactions that tend to be subject to systematic processing and require little management judgement. Although it is considered that there is a risk of material misstatement, there are no elevated or special factors related to the nature, the likely magnitude of the potential misstatements or the likelihood of the risk occurring.

The summary risk assessment, illustrated in the table below, highlights those risks which we deem to be significant. We have summarised our audit response to these risks on the next page.







4. SIGNIFICANT RISKS AND KEY JUDGEMENT AREAS (CONTINUED)

We provide more detail on the identified risks and our testing approach with respect to significant risks in the table below. An audit is a dynamic process; should we change our view of risk or approach to address the identified risks during the course of our audit, we will report this to the Audit and Governance Committee.

Significant risks

	Description of risk	Planned response
1	Management override of controls (Council and Group) Management at various levels within an organisation are in a unique position to perpetrate fraud because of their ability to manipulate accounting records and prepare fraudulent financial statements by overriding controls that otherwise appear to be operating effectively. Due to the unpredictable way in which such override could occur there is a risk of material misstatement due to fraud on all audits.	We plan to address the management override of controls risk through performing audit work over accounting estimates, journal entries and significant transactions outside the normal course of business or otherwise unusual.
2	Property, plant and equipment valuation (Council) The financial statements contain material entries on the Balance Sheet as well as material disclosure notes in relation to the Council's holding of PPE. Although the Council employs a valuation expert to provide information on valuations, there remains a high degree of estimation uncertainty associated with the revaluation of PPE due to the significant judgements and number of variables involved in providing revaluations. We have therefore identified the revaluation of PPE to be an area of risk.	We will consider the Council's arrangements for ensuring that PPE values are reasonable and will engage our own expert to provide data to enable us to assess the reasonableness of the valuations provided by the Council's valuer(s). We will also assess the competence, skills and experience of the valuer(s). Where necessary we will also perform further audit procedures on individual assets to ensure that the basis and level of revaluation is appropriate.
3	Defined benefit liability valuation (Council) The financial statements contain material pension entries in respect of the retirement benefits. The calculation of these pension figures, both assets and liabilities, can be subject to significant volatility and includes estimates based upon a complex interaction of actuarial assumptions. This results in an increased risk of material misstatement.	We will discuss with key contacts any significant changes to the pension estimates. In addition to our standard programme of work in this area, we will evaluate the management controls you have in place to assess the reasonableness of the figures provided by the Actuary and consider the reasonableness of the Actuary's output, referring to an expert's report on all actuaries nationally which is commissioned annually by the NAO.

Key areas of management judgement and enhanced risks

Key areas of management judgement include accounting estimates which are material but are not considered to give rise to a significant risk of material misstatement. These areas of management judgement represent other areas of audit emphasis.

	Area of management judgement / enhanced risk	Planned response
1	Depreciation of Property, Plant and Equipment	
	Property, Plant and Equipment is depreciated over its useful life in the financial statements.	We will test the underlying calculation of depreciation to ensure it is reasonable.

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5. VALUE FOR MONEY

Our approach to Value for Money

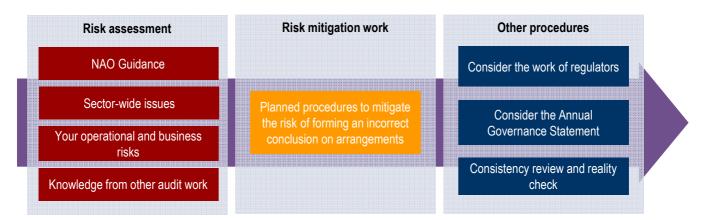
We are required to form a conclusion as to whether the Council has made proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources. The NAO issues guidance to auditors that underpins the work we are required to carry out, and sets out the overall criterion and sub-criteria that we are required to consider.

The overall criterion is that, 'in all significant respects, the Council had proper arrangements to ensure it took properly informed decisions and deployed resources to achieve planned and sustainable outcomes for taxpayers and local people.'

To assist auditors in reaching a conclusion on this overall criterion, the following sub-criteria are set out by the NAO:

- informed decision making;
- sustainable resource deployment; and
- working with partners and other third parties.

A summary of the work we undertake to reach our conclusion is provided below:



Significant Value for Money risks

The NAO's guidance requires us to carry out work at the planning stage to identify whether or not a Value for Money (VFM) significant risk exists. Risk, in the context of our VFM work, is the risk that we come to an incorrect conclusion rather than the risk of the arrangements in place at the Council being inadequate. As outlined above, we draw on our deep understanding of the Council and its partners, the local and national economy and wider knowledge of the public sector.

For the 2019/20 financial year, we have identified the following significant risk to our VFM work:

Description of significant risk	Planned response
Our audit work in previous years has concluded that the Council has robust arrangements in place for Medium Term Financial Planning (MTFP). We need to ensure our knowledge of the Council's MTFP arrangements remains up to date in order to ensure we give the correct VFM conclusion.	 Puilding on our work in previous years, we will: review the Council's updated MTFP to ensure it reflects the latest funding position from central government and makes reasonable assumptions for future funding; and review and update our knowledge of the arrangements the Council has in place to monitor and deliver any savings identified, any additional income generation and any measures to manage future cost pressures that underpin the MTFP.

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6. FEES FOR AUDIT AND OTHER SERVICES

Fees for work as the Council's appointed auditor

We communicated our proposed fee of £97,604 in our fee letter dated 19 April 2019, which was in line with the scale fee set by PSAA. In 2018/19, the Authority prepared group financial statements alongside the Council's financial statements for the first time, as referenced in section 3 of this Memorandum, and we agreed a fee variation with the Council which was approved by PSAA for this additional audit work. Group accounts will continue to be produced each year, so this variation will be required annually. We will write to PSAA seeking approval of this variation for 2019/20.

In common with all local government external auditors we are required to carry out additional procedures which were not expected when fees were set.

Regulatory recommendations

We continually strive to maintain high standards of audit quality. One mechanism for doing this is to consider the outcome of independent quality reviews, in particular by the Financial Reporting Council, of our audit work and that of other audit suppliers. In particular we are planning increases in the level of work we do on:

- defined benefit pension schemes; and
- · valuation of property, plant and equipment.

We will discuss the driving factors with Council officers and the audit fee for 2019/20 will be revisited to reflect the increased level of work that was not considered when the scale fee was set. Any agreed additional fee is also subject to detailed scrutiny by the PSAA as part of the approval process.

Service	2018/19 fee	2019/20 fee
Code audit work	£97,604	£97,604
Plus; additional fees in respect of audit of group consolidation	£3,220	£3,220*
Total fees for Code audit work	£100,824	£100,824*
Plus; Additional work in response to regulatory recommendations to increase level of audit work on the valuation of property plant and equipment.	n/a	To be agreed
Plus; Additional work in response to regulatory recommendations to increase level of audit work on defined benefit liability schemes.	n/a	To be agreed

^{*} Subject to agreement by PSAA and confirmation from PSAA of 2019/20 scale rates for additional work.

All fees shown above are subject to VAT

6. FEES FOR AUDIT AND OTHER SERVICES

Fees for non-PSAA work

In addition to the fees outlined above in relation to our appointment by PSAA, we have been separately engaged by the Council to carry out additional work as set out in the table below. Before agreeing to undertake any additional work we consider whether there are any actual, potential or perceived threats to our independence. Further information about our responsibilities in relation to independence is provided in section 7.

Service	2018/19 fee	2019/20 fee
Housing benefit subsidy certification	£9,900	To be agreed
Teachers' Pensions Return	£4,000	To be agreed
VAT guidance	£3,480	NIL

All fees shown above are subject to VAT

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7. OUR COMMITMENT TO INDEPENDENCE

We are committed to independence and are required by the Financial Reporting Council to confirm to you at least annually, in writing, that we comply with the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard. In addition, we communicate any matters or relationship which we believe may have a bearing on our independence or the objectivity of the audit team.

Based on the information provided by you and our own internal procedures to safeguard our independence as auditors, we confirm that in our professional judgement there are no relationships between us and any of our related or subsidiary entities, and you and your related entities creating any unacceptable threats to our independence within the regulatory or professional requirements governing us as your auditors.

We have policies and procedures in place which are designed to ensure that we carry out our work with integrity, objectivity and independence. These policies include:

- all partners and staff are required to complete an annual independence declaration;
- all new partners and staff are required to complete an independence confirmation and also complete computer-based ethics training;
- rotation policies covering audit engagement partners and other key members of the audit team;
- use by managers and partners of our client and engagement acceptance system which requires all non-audit services to be approved in advance by the audit engagement partner.

We confirm, as at the date of this document, that the engagement team and others in the firm as appropriate, and Mazars LLP are independent and comply with relevant ethical requirements. However, if at any time you have concerns or questions about our integrity, objectivity or independence please discuss these with Gavin Barker in the first instance.

Prior to the provision of any non-audit services Gavin Barker will undertake appropriate procedures to consider and fully assess the impact that providing the service may have on our auditor independence. Included in this assessment is consideration of Auditor Guidance Note 01 as issued by the NAO, and the PSAA Terms of Appointment.

No threats to our independence have been identified.

Any emerging independence threats and associated identified safeguards will be communicated in our Audit Completion Report.

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8. MATERIALITY AND MISSTATEMENTS

Summary of initial materiality thresholds

Threshold	Initial threshold Council	Initial threshold Group
Overall materiality	£9.627m	£9.637m
Performance materiality	£7.702m	£7.709m
Trivial threshold for errors to be reported to the Audit and Governance Committee	£288k	£289k

Materiality

Materiality is an expression of the relative significance or importance of a particular matter in the context of financial statements as a whole. Misstatements in financial statements are considered to be material if they, individually or in aggregate, could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

Judgements on materiality are made in light of surrounding circumstances and are affected by the size and nature of a misstatement, or a combination of both. Judgements about materiality are based on consideration of the common financial information needs of users as a group and not on specific individual users.

The assessment of what is material is a matter of professional judgement and is affected by our perception of the financial information needs of the users of the financial statements. In making our assessment we assume that users:

- have a reasonable knowledge of business, economic activities and accounts;
- have a willingness to study the information in the financial statements with reasonable diligence;
- understand that financial statements are prepared, presented and audited to levels of materiality;
- recognise the uncertainties inherent in the measurement of amounts based on the use of estimates, judgement and the consideration of future events; and
- will make reasonable economic decisions on the basis of the information in the financial statements.

We consider materiality whilst planning and performing our audit based on quantitative and qualitative factors.

Whilst planning, we make judgements about the size of misstatements which we consider to be material and which provides a basis for determining the nature, timing and extent of risk assessment procedures, identifying and assessing the risk of material misstatement and determining the nature, timing and extent of further audit procedures.

The materiality determined at the planning stage does not necessarily establish an amount below which uncorrected misstatements, either individually or in aggregate, will be considered as immaterial.

We revise materiality for the financial statements as our audit progresses should we become aware of information that would have caused us to determine a different amount had we been aware of that information at the planning stage.

Our provisional materiality is set based on a benchmark of gross revenue expenditure at the surplus or deficit on provision of services level. We will identify a figure for materiality but identify separate levels for procedures designed to detect individual errors, and also a level above which all identified errors will be reported to the Audit and Governance Committee.

We consider that gross revenue expenditure at the surplus or deficit on provision of services level remains the key focus of users of the financial statements and, as such, we base our materiality levels around this benchmark.

We expect to set a materiality threshold at 2% of gross revenue expenditure at the surplus or deficit on provision of services level.

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8. MATERIALITY AND MISSTATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Based on the 2018/19 audited accounts we anticipate the overall materiality for the year ending 31st March 2020 to be in the region of £9.627m for the Council and £9.637m for the Group (£9.627m for the Council and £9.637m for the Group in the prior year).

After setting initial materiality, we continue to monitor materiality throughout the audit to ensure that it is set at an appropriate level.

Performance Materiality

Performance materiality is the amount or amounts set by the auditor at less than materiality for the financial statements as a whole to reduce, to an appropriately low level, the probability that the aggregate of uncorrected and undetected misstatements exceeds materiality for the financial statements as a whole. Our initial assessment of performance materiality is based on low inherent risk, meaning that we have applied 80% of overall materiality as performance materiality for the Council and the Group.

We have also calculated materiality for specific classes of transactions, balances or disclosures where we determine that misstatements of a lesser amount than materiality for the financial statements as a whole, could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements. We have set specific materiality for the following items of account:

Item of account	Specific materiality (£'000s)
Members allowances	25% of value
Senior manager remuneration	25% of value
Exit packages	25% of value

After setting initial materiality, we continue to monitor materiality throughout the audit to ensure that it is set at an appropriate level.

Misstatements

We aggregate misstatements identified during the audit that are other than clearly trivial. We set a level of triviality for individual errors identified (a reporting threshold) for reporting to the Audit and Governance Committee that is consistent with the level of triviality that we consider would not need to be accumulated because we expect that the accumulation of such amounts would not have a material effect on the financial statements. Based on our preliminary assessment of overall materiality, our proposed triviality threshold is £288k for the Council and £289k for the Group based on 3% of overall materiality. If you have any queries about this please do not hesitate to raise these with Gavin Barker.

Reporting to the Audit and Governance Committee

To comply with International Standards on Auditing (UK), the following three types of audit differences (above triviality levels) will be presented to the Audit and Governance Committee:

- summary of adjusted audit differences;
- summary of unadjusted audit differences; and
- summary of disclosure differences (adjusted and unadjusted).

APPENDIX A – KEY COMMUNICATION POINTS

ISA (UK) 260 'Communication with Those Charged with Governance', ISA (UK) 265 'Communicating Deficiencies In Internal Control To Those Charged With Governance And Management' and other ISAs (UK) specifically require us to communicate the following:

Required communication	Audit Strategy Memorandum	Audit Completion Report
Our responsibilities in relation to the audit of the financial statements and our wider responsibilities	\checkmark	
Planned scope and timing of the audit	\checkmark	
Significant audit risks and areas of management judgement	\checkmark	
Our commitment to independence	\checkmark	\checkmark
Responsibilities for preventing and detecting errors	\checkmark	
Materiality and misstatements	\checkmark	\checkmark
Fees for audit and other services	\checkmark	
Significant deficiencies in internal control		\checkmark
Significant findings from the audit		✓
Significant matters discussed with management		\checkmark
Our conclusions on the significant audit risks and areas of management judgement		\checkmark
Summary of misstatements		\checkmark
Management representation letter		✓
Our proposed draft audit report		\checkmark



APPENDIX B – FORTHCOMING ACCOUNTING AND OTHER **ISSUES**

Financial reporting changes relevant to 2019/20

There are no significant changes in the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting for the 2019/20 financial year.

Financial reporting changes in future years

Accounting standard	Year of application	Commentary
IFRS 16 – Leases	2020/21	The CIPFA/LASAAC Code Board has determined that the Code of Practice on Local Authority Accounting will adopt the principles of IFRS 16 Leases, for the first time from 2020/21.
		IFRS 16 will replace the existing leasing standard, IAS 17, and will introduce significant changes to the way bodies account for leases, which will have substantial implications for the majority of public sector bodies.
		The most significant changes will be in respect of lessee accounting (i.e. where a body leases property or equipment from another entity). The existing distinction between operating and finance leases will be removed and instead, the new standard will require a right of use asset and an associated lease liability to be recognised on the lessee's Balance Sheet.
		In order to meet the requirements of IFRS 16, all local authorities will need to undertake a significant project that is likely to be time-consuming and potentially complex. There will also be consequential impacts upon capital financing arrangements at many authorities which will need to be identified and addressed at an early stage of the project.



APPENDIX C - MAZARS' CLIENT SERVICE COMMITMENT

We are here because of our clients; serving them in the best way we can is part of our DNA. We operate a Code of Conduct which drives our client service commitment in all areas, as set out below.



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