



Report on the Audit Committee's activities during the year

30 September 2022



Areas of oversight

The Audit Committee has maintained oversight of the following key priorities:

- **Financial reporting:** Oversaw the approval of the year-end accounts and reports, impairment reviews/judgements provisions and the financial reporting implications of operational separation.
- **External audit and financial control:** Approved the re-appointment of the external auditors and the terms of their appointment and reported on the effectiveness of internal controls for FY22.
- **Internal audit:** Reviewed processes and controls via regular updates from the Head of Internal Audit on internal audits and management responses.
- **ESG:** Oversaw and approved the ESG disclosures made in the Financial Statements, Transparency Report, Planet Impact Report and Community Impact Report.
- **ISQM1:** Monitored and assessed the effectiveness of the implementation of the ISQM1 project to address audit quality issues.

Our priorities for 2023

- Continue to oversee the firm's financial reporting.
- Monitor the embedding of ISQM1 process and controls.
- Continue to exercise governance over internal controls to comply with the requirements of the revised 2022 Audit Firm Governance Code, where it relates to the Audit practice.
- Oversee the firm's activities and performance related to ESG matters.
- Oversee and review the work of KPMG's Internal Audit function.
- Consider the methodology and key judgements proposed by management in producing the operational separation disclosures required in any external reporting.

Audit Committee in numbers

- Three members.
- One INE in attendance.
- Four meetings and one ad hoc meeting.