

REPORT TITLE: AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME
2023/24

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WARD(S): ALL

PURPOSE

This report sets out the work programme for the Committee for the 2023/24 municipal year.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Audit and Governance Committee Work Programme for 2023/24 be approved.

IMPLICATIONS:1 COUNCIL PLAN OUTCOME

- 1.1 The setting of a work programme for the Committee for the coming municipal year supports the Council's approach to delivering efficient services.

2 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 2.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

3 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 None.

4 WORKFORCE IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5 PROPERTY AND ASSET IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 None.

6 CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

- 6.1 The Head of the Southern Internal Audit Partnership has been consulted on the proposed work programme as set out in Appendix 1.

7 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 Not applicable.

8 PUBLIC SECTOR EQUALITY DUTY

- 8.1 The work programme for the Committee will take notice of recommendations by the newly formed Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Members' Forum and be updated to include reports arising from the identification of equality issues that impact on the town area.

9 DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 9.1 None.

10 RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk	Mitigation	Opportunities
Financial Exposure	n/a	n/a
Exposure to challenge	n/a	n/a
Innovation	n/a	n/a
Reputation	Ensure that the	Provides the evidence

	Committee is undertaking its role and fulfilling its responsibilities and function	that demonstrates that the Committee is carrying out its duties and responsibilities in an open and transparent way.
Achievement of outcome		
Property	n/a	n/a
Community Support	n/a	n/a
Timescales	n/a	Having a clear work programme allows the Committee to ensure that it and the Council meets its responsibilities in a timely manner (e.g. approval and publication of the accounts within statutory deadlines.
Project capacity	n/a	n/a
Other	n/a	n/a

11 SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

- 11.1 The Appendix to this Report sets out the work programme for the coming municipal year for the Audit and Governance Committee.
- 11.2 The programme includes a forward look at the reports that will be presented to the Committee during the coming year supporting its purpose of providing independent assurance to members of the adequacy of the internal control environment and risk management framework.

12 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

- 12.1 None.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:-

Previous Committee Reports:-

None.

Other Background Documents:-

None.

APPENDICES:

Appendix 1 – Audit and Governance work programme 23/24