Rank	Objective	Prioritisation		Respondents' choice						
		First choice • • • • • Last choice	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	
1	Embrace and prioritise conformance and embedding of the Global Internal Audit Standards in the UK Local Government and maximising their potential to benefit the organisation and the internal audit function.		30	8	8	8	7	9	6	
2	Innovate to explore a more agile approach to the audit process, building efficiencies and producing more timely feedback to the organisation.		14	19	14	11	14	3	1	
3	Further engage with the organisation to enhance and optimise the full potential of data analytics in the internal audit process.		5	16	21	16	13	5	-	
4	To bridge the nationally recognised talent gap in the internal audit profession through effective recruitment, retention and development of a workforce strategy.		11	13	6	7	12	12	15	
5	Increase communication and awareness of internal audit within the organisation and the services it offers including the enhancement of a web presence on both internet and intranet platforms.		9	10	9	12	9	13	14	
6	Optimise the use of internal audit software to further automate the internal audit process creating efficiencies and the real time management information available to stakeholders.		6	5	14	13	8	21	9	
7	Optimise the potential of Artificial Intelligence in the delivery of the internal audit service to maximise efficiency, capacity and capability.		1	5	4	9	13	13	31	

Our survey received 76 responses from a total of 343 recipients (22% response rate)