

# AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE



Report subject	<b>Forward Plan - Refresh</b>
Meeting date	12 January 2023
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	This report sets out the reports to be considered by the Audit & Governance Committee for the 2022/23 municipal year in order to enable it to fulfil its terms of reference.
Recommendations	<b>It is RECOMMENDED that:</b>  <b>The Audit &amp; Governance Committee approves the forward plan set out at Appendix A.</b>
Reason for recommendations	To ensure that Audit & Governance Committee are fully informed of the reports to be considered during 2022/23.
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Wards	Council-wide
Classification	For Recommendation Decision

## Background

1. Good practice dictates that a forward plan should be agreed which sets out the reports to be considered by the Audit & Governance Committee over the next 12 months.

## The Forward Plan

2. The Forward Plan set out at Appendix A has been developed through discussion with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Audit & Governance Committee, the S151 Officer, and the Council's External Auditors. The plan sets out proposals for the forward management of reports to be considered by the Audit & Governance Committee in order to enable it to fulfil its terms of reference.

3. The Audit & Governance Committee should note that the plan does not preclude extraordinary items being brought before the Committee in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair as necessary and appropriate, thus ensuring that Audit & Governance Committee business is consistent with the terms of reference.
4. The Chairman regularly asks committee members for any topics requiring this Committee's consideration within its terms of reference and can be added at any time in the year or as they arise. These topics are generally shown in the 'Ad Hoc/Other Reports' or 'Presentations' sections of the Forward Plan, Appendix A. These additional reports/presentations are made available to the public with the meeting minutes.

#### **Options Appraisal**

5. An options appraisal is not applicable for this report.

#### **Summary of financial implications**

6. There are no direct financial implications from this report.

#### **Summary of legal implications**

7. There are no direct legal implications from this report.

#### **Summary of human resources implications**

8. There are no direct human resource implications from this report.

#### **Summary of sustainability impact**

9. There are no direct sustainability impact implications from this report.

#### **Summary of public health implications**

10. There are no public health implications from this report.

#### **Summary of equality implications**

11. There are no direct equality implications from this report.

#### **Summary of risk assessment**

12. Development and agreement of the Forward Plan by the Audit & Governance Committee enables it to fulfil its terms of reference.

#### **Background papers**

None

#### **Appendices**

Appendix A – Audit & Governance Committee - Forward Plan 2022/23