



Recommendations and Reports from Committees - Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report

Corporate Priority:	All
Relevant Ward Member(s):	All
Date of consultation with Ward Member(s):	N/A
Exempt Information:	No

1 Summary

- 1.1 A self-assessment has been undertaken by the Chair and this is indicating few weaknesses in the arrangements in place for performing its responsibilities as the Council's Audit Committee. The Committee has performed its core responsibilities throughout the year as set out in the report.

2 Recommendation from Audit and Standards Committee

That Council:

2.1 Notes the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report for the year to 31 August 2022 (Appendix 1).

3 Reason for Recommendation

- 3.1 It is best practice for the Audit Committee to report to the Council on its activities. This has previously not been undertaken by this Council however the Chair has sought to address this weakness in this the first annual report of the Audit and Standards Committee.

4 Background

- 4.1 The Audit and Standards Committee considered the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report at their meeting on 30 November 2022 and made the recommendation that the report is submitted to Council for noting.

5 Main Considerations

- 5.1 Audit and Standards Committee recommend the Annual Report to Council for information purposes.
- 5.2 This report increases the profile of the work carried out by Audit and Standards Committee and ensures that all members are provided with information in relation to the work of the Audit and Standards Committee as well as providing an opportunity for all members to feedback on the Audit and Standards function of the Council.

6 Options Considered

- 6.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

7 Consultation

- 7.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

8 Next Steps – Implementation and Communication

- 8.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

9 Financial Implications

- 9.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

Financial Implications reviewed by: See Appendix 1

10 Legal and Governance Implications

- 10.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

Legal Implications reviewed by: See Appendix 1

11 Equality and Safeguarding Implications

- 11.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

12 Community Safety Implications

- 12.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

13 Environmental and Climate Change Implications

- 13.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

14 Other Implications (where significant)

- 14.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

15 Risk & Mitigation

- 15.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

16 Background Papers.

16.1 As outlined in the Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report (Appendix 1).

17 Appendices

17.1 Appendix 1 – Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report.

17.2 Appendix A – Self Assessment of the Audit Committee

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