

Audit Committee Forward Plan

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Purpose of the Report

This report informs Members of the agreed Audit Committee Forward Plan.

Recommendations

Members are asked to note and comment upon the proposed Audit Committee Forward Plan as attached.

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The forward plan sets out items and issues to be discussed over the coming few months and is reviewed annually.

Items marked in italics are not yet confirmed.

Background Papers

None.



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Meeting Date	Item	Responsible Officer
25th November 2021 – Venue to be confirmed	Annual External Auditors' Report	Beth Garner - Manager (Grant Thornton)
	Approval of audited Statement of Accounts for 2020/21	Chief Finance Officer and Lead Specialist – Finance (Deputy S151 Officer)
	3. Counter Fraud Programme Update	Monitoring Officer and David Warren, Principal Investigation Officer, (SWAP)
	Proposal to opt into the National Scheme for external auditor appointments (to go onto Council)	Chief Finance Officer
	Financial Information requested by Audit Committee regarding SSDC Opium Ltd (Restricted Enclosure)	Chief Finance Officer and Lead Specialist – Finance (Deputy S151 Officer)
27 th January 2022 – moving to 9 th February 2022	Internal Audit Plan Progress Update Report	Alastair Woodland, Assistant Director, (SWAP)
	Treasury Management Strategy (to go on to Full Council)	Lead Finance Officer/Deputy S151 Officer
	Update on Somerset Reorganisation and any impact on the progression and financing of current council projects	Jill Byron - Monitoring Officer
	4. ToR Working Group Update	Alistair Woodland, Assistant Director (SWAP)
24 th March 2022	External Audit Progress Report	Beth Garner, Manager - Grant Thornton
	2. Audit Plan 2022-2023 and Charter	Alistair Woodland, Assistant Director (SWAP)

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TBC	Annual review of Treasury Management Practices - CIPFA are currently updating the Treasury Management Code and consultation will finish early November 2021. This report will therefore go to Audit Committee when the Code changes are known	Lead Specialist – Finance (Deputy S151 Officer)	
	Risk Management Update	Lead Specialist – Strategic Planning	
	Certificate of Claims Report	Lead Specialist (Finance) & Deputy S151 Officer	
	Annual Health & Safety Update	Lead Specialist – Strategic Planning	
	Annual Civil Contingencies and Whistle Blowing Update	Lead Specialist – Strategic Planning	
	Update on S106 process following recent internal audit report	TBC	
	Monitoring the recommendations of SWAP following audits.	TBC	