

APPENDIX B - Current Consultations – September 2021

Purpose of Document	Portfolio	Director	Response to be agreed by	Contact	Deadline for response
<p>Local audit framework: technical consultation</p> <p>Consultation on proposals to implement the recommendations from the independent Redmond Review of local authority financial reporting and external audit.</p> <p>The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government is consulting on the following proposals as part of the government's response to the Redmond Review:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new system leader for the local audit framework. • Proposals to strengthen audit committee arrangements within councils. • Measures to address ongoing capacity issues on the pipeline of local auditors. • Action to further consider local audit functions for smaller bodies. <p>Local audit framework: technical consultation - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</p>	Finance and Legal Services	Nicola Hix, Strategy and Support Services	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder and Audit Committee	Karen Watling, Section 151 Officer	22 September 2021
<p>Business rates revaluation 2023: the central rating list</p> <p>This consultation seeks views on changes to the central rating list for the 2023 business rates revaluation. It covers the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the current principles of the central rating list 	Finance and Legal Services	Nicola Hix, Strategy and Support Services	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holder	Karen Case and Alison Hann	13 November 2021

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hereditaments suitable for moving to the central rating list for the 2023 revaluation • interaction with the Business Rates Retention Scheme • next steps <p>The scope of this consultation is limited to the contents of the central rating list for the 2023 rating list. The consultation does not extend to the assessment of the rateable value of hereditaments (which is done by the Valuation Office Agency independently of Ministers) or any matters falling within the ongoing Treasury Fundamental Review of Business Rates (such as the rateability of plant and machinery and reliefs).</p> <p>Business rates revaluation 2023: the central rating list - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</p>					