

Review of the Audit Committee Workplan

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Local Member(s) and Division: All

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Summary / Link to Council Plan

1. The Audit Committee is a key component of the Council's governance framework. Its purpose is to provide an independent and high-level focus on the adequacy of governance, risk and control arrangements.

The Committee's role in ensuring that there is sufficient assurance over governance risk and control gives greater confidence to all those charged with governance that those arrangements are effective.

The Audit Committee has oversight of both internal and external audit together with the financial and governance reports, helping to ensure that there are adequate arrangements in place for both internal challenge and public accountability.

2. For good governance to function well, an organisation must encourage and facilitate a high level of robust internal challenge. This will contribute to the financial sustainability of the organisation and evidence the right cultural approach.
3. The workplan details the forward of items currently on the Audit Committee workplan for consideration the period January – May 2024:

25 January 2024

28 March 2024

30 May 2024

Recommendations

4. The Audit Committee are asked to consider:

4.1. the proposed work plan and whether the proposed workplan is adequate and appropriate

4.2. the content of the workplan and make any recommendations for improvement

Background Papers

None.