

### **Audit Committee Workplan**

Lead Member(s): Deputy Leader of the Council and Lead Member for Resources and Performance, Cllr Liz Leyshon

Local Member(s) and Division: All

Lead Officer: Chief Finance Officer, Maria Christofi

### **Summary**

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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. The workplan details the forward plan of items currently on the Audit Committee workplan for the remainder of the financial year. See Appendix 1.

### **Recommendations**

5. The Audit Committee are asked to consider:
  - 5.1. the proposed work plan and whether the proposed workplan is adequate and appropriate.
  - 5.2. the content of the workplan and make any recommendations for improvement.

### **Background Papers**

None.