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Annual Report of the Audit & Governance Committee - 2021/22**Exempt Information**

None.

Purpose

This report presents the proposed Annual Report of the Audit & Governance Committee 2021/22 for Council.

Recommendations

1. **That the proposed Annual Report of the Audit Committee 2021/22 be endorsed.**

Executive Summary

Audit Committee are an important source of assurance about an organisation's arrangements for managing risk, maintaining an effective control environment and reporting on financial and other performance.

CIPFA recommend that Audit Committee's produce an annual report to promote the role and purpose of the Committee, account for the Committee's performance, evaluate whether the Committee is continuing to meet its terms of reference and document how the Committee adds value. The Audit & Governance Committee's annual report fulfilling these requirements is set out at **Appendix 1**.

Resource Implications

None.

Legal/Risk Implications Background

The Council is not obliged by law to appoint an Audit & Governance Committee, however, this has been done in line with good governance and CIPFA guidance.

Equalities Implications

None.

Environment and Sustainability Implications (including climate change)

None.

Background Information

None.

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List of Background Papers

- Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police (2018), CIPFA
- Audit Committee agendas, minutes and reports for the Committee year 2021/22.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Annual Report of the Audit & Governance Committee 2021/22