

Title of report: Work programme

Meeting: Audit and Governance Committee

Meeting date: 13 March 2023

Report by: Democratic Services Officer

Classification

Open

Decision type

This is not an executive decision.

Wards affected

(All Wards)

Purpose

To consider the committee's work programme (Appendix A).

Recommendation(s)

- (a) That, subject to any further updates made by the committee, the work programme for the Audit and Governance Committee be agreed; and**
- (b) That a further meeting be arranged for April 2023.**

Alternative options

- 1. There are no alternative options, as the committee requires such a programme in order to set out its work for the coming year.
- 2. Updating the work programme is recommended, as the committee is required to define and make known its work. This will ensure that matters pertaining to audit and governance are tracked and progressed in order to provide sound governance for the council.

Key considerations

- 3. The routine business of the committee has been reflected as far as is known, including the regular reporting from both internal and external auditors.
- 4. With reports expected to be received during this municipal year from External Audit and Internal Audit, it is proposed that a further meeting be arranged for April 2023.

5. The committee is asked to consider any further adjustments.

Community impact

6. A clear and transparent work programme provides a visible demonstration of how the committee is fulfilling its role as set out in the council's constitution.

Environmental impact

7. Whilst this is an update on the work programme and will have minimal environmental impacts, consideration has been made to minimise waste and resource use in line with the council's Environmental Policy.

Equality duty

8. This report does not impact on this area.

Resource implications

9. There are no financial implications.

Legal implications

10. The work programme reflects any statutory or constitutional requirements.

Risk management

11. The programme can be adjusted in year to respond as necessary to risks as they are identified; the committee also provides assurances that risk management processes are robust and effective.

Consultees

12. The Director of Finance and Assurance / S151 Officer, Director of Governance and Legal Services / Monitoring Officer, and committee members contribute to the work programme; the work programme is reviewed at each meeting of the committee.

Appendices

Appendix A Work programme for the Audit and Governance Committee

Background papers

None identified.