Agenda Item 5



Open Report on behalf of Andrew Crookham - Deputy Chief Executive & Executive Director - Resources

Report to:	Audit Committee
Date:	06 February 2023
Subject:	Draft Audit Committee Annual Report 2022

Summary:

The Audit Committee Annual Report is designed to help inform the Council of its activities during January - December 2022 and how it discharged its responsibilities.

An effective Audit Committee plays a vital role in the Council's governance arrangements. Supporting achievement of its objectives and making a positive contribution to how well the Council is run - promoting transparency and accountability.

Recommendation(s):

The Committee is asked to consider and approve the content of the draft Audit Committee Annual Report 2022, prior to it being reported to full Council.

Background

The Audit Committee Annual Report is required under both the Committee's Terms of Reference and CIPFA's Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police (2022) to report on its performance and demonstrate how the Committee has discharged it responsibilities. The draft Annual Report is Appendix A.

Conclusion

Good practice advocates the Audit Committee publishes an Annual Report this is the draft. The final report will be presented to full Council at its February 2023 meeting.

Consultation

a) Risks and Impact Analysis

Any changes to services, policies, and projects are subject to an Equality Impact Analysis. The considerations of the contents and subesequent decisions are all taken with regard to existing policies.

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Audit Committee Annual Report 2022 - to follow

Background Papers

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Terms of Reference of	Constitution - LCC Connects
the Audit Committee	

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