



DECISIONS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

BOURGES/VIERSEN ROOM, PETERBOROUGH 20 MARCH 2023

1. AUDIT RESULTS REPORT

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to:

1. Receive and approve the Annual Accounts for 2020/21,
2. Delegate approval of any minor amendments to the Executive Director Corporate Services and the Chair of the Audit Committee, and
3. Review the Auditors updated final Audit Results Report for the year ended 31 March 2021 from Ernst & Young (EY) on behalf of the Council.

2. VERBAL UPDATE – EXTERNAL AUDIT OPINION

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) that the Audit Committee listen to and note the verbal update from Janet Dawson, Ernst & Young (EY) Partner

3. ANNUAL REPORT – INSURANCE 2022/23

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to review and then endorse the annual report on the provision of Insurance during 2022 / 2023 included at Appendix 1

4. FRAUD AND INVESTIGATIONS 2022/23

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to review and endorse the annual report on the investigation of fraud within the Investigations Team during 2022 / 2023 included at Appendix A

5. ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT OPINION 2022/23

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to review and then endorse the Chief Internal Auditors annual report for the year ended 31 March 2023 included at Appendix A.

6. DRAFT ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to

1. Note the arrangements for compiling, reporting on and signing the Draft Annual Governance Statement for 2022 / 2023;
2. Formally approve the Draft Annual Governance Statement so that the document may be signed by the Chief Executive and Leader of the Council for inclusion in the statement of accounts.

7. REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to

1. Approves the planned approach for the assessment of the effectiveness of the Audit Committee as set out in section 4 and
2. Notes the CIPFA position statement included at Appendix 1

8. BUDGET MONITORING OUTTURN REPORT 2022/23

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to

1. The final 2022/23 outturn position as an £0.6m underspend on the Council's revenue budget(subject to finalisation of the statutory statement of accounts).
2. The reserves position outlined in section 7and Appendix B which includes a contribution of the £0.6m underspend to the General Fund Reserve.
3. The 2022/23 Capital Programme outturn position of £43.5m outlined in section 8, with the details of schemes outlined in Appendix E.
4. Performance against the Prudential Indicators as outlined in Appendix C.
- 5 . Performance on payment of creditors, debt collection performance, local taxation and benefit overpayments as outlined in Appendix D.

9. APPROVED WRITE-OFFS EXCEEDING £10,000

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) note the Irrecoverable Debts in excess of £10,000 report

10. WORK PROGRAMME

The Audit Committee considered the report and **RESOLVED** (Unanimous) to note the work programme.