



Audit & Standards Committee 25 September 2023

Title: Work Programme

Lead Officer: Sophie Vale, Committee Services Officer

Portfolio Holder: Not applicable

Public report

Wards of the District directly affected: Not applicable

Summary

This report informs Members of Audit & Standards Committee of the Committee's work programme for 2023/24 (Appendix 1).

Recommendations

That Members consider the work programme (Appendix 1) and agree any changes as appropriate.

1 Background and Reasons for the Recommendation

- 1.1 The Audit & Standards Committee has two main purposes: (1) to promote and maintain high standards of conduct and governance within the Council and within the Parish and Town Councils within the District; (2) to act as the Audit Committee for the Council.
- 1.2 The Work Programme will ensure that Members are aware of the workload of the Committee and any changes to upcoming reports.
- 1.3 The Significant Business Risk Register report has been deferred at Cabinet until after the new Corporate Strategy has been considered to allow for a thorough review. As such, the Significant Business Risk Register report has also been deferred for the Audit & Standards Committee. It is anticipated this will be brought to the Committee in December 2023 but this is TBC at the this time.
- 1.4 The Review of the 2023 Local Elections has been deferred from this meeting to December 2023. This was to allow officers to consider the findings within the <u>Electoral Commission Report</u> and <u>Local Government Information Unit</u> report on the impact of voter ID at the elections and if there was any additional learning for the Returning Officer to bring forward as a result. Neither of these reports were available in time to allow sufficient consideration and response to them within this report.