

## **Report of the Head of Democratic Services**

#### Audit Committee - 10 December 2019

# Audit Committee - Workplan 2019/20

Purpose: This report details the Audit Committee Workplan

to May 2020

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For Information

#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Audit Committee's Work Plan to May 2020 is attached at Appendix 1 for information.
- 1.2 The Audit Committee Statement of Purpose is attached for information at Appendix 2.
- 1.3 The completed / outstanding actions from the Performance Review 2017/18 Action Plan are included at Appendix 3. The outstanding actions have also been included in the 2018/19 Action Plan.
- 1.4 The Performance Review 2018/19 Action Plan is included at Appendix 4. The Plan was drafted following feedback from the workshop annual self-assessment session held on 16 September 2019 and facilitated by the Wales Audit Office. Wales Audit Office also presented a report on their findings at the Committee meeting held on 8 October 2019, which covered regularity and length of Audit Committee meetings; outstanding actions from Audit Committee Performance Review 2017-18; and information provided to Audit Committee Members. The responses provided by Members were detailed in the report.

1.5 The dates included for the meetings in 2019/20 were approved by Council on 28/03/19.

## 2. Equality and Engagement Implications

- 2.1 The Council is subject to the Public Sector Equality Duty (Wales) and must, in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:
  - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

Our Equality Impact Assessment process ensures that we have paid due regard to the above.

2.2 There are no equality and engagement implications associated with this report.

### 3. Financial Implications

3.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

## 4. Legal Implications

4.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

Background Papers: None.

**Appendix 1** – Audit Committee Workplan 2019/20

**Appendix 2** – Audit Committee Statement of Purpose

**Appendix 3** – Performance Review 2017/18 Action Plan

**Appendix 4** – Performance Review 2018/19 Action Plan