



REPORT TO:	Audit & Governance Committee
DATE:	20 November 2023
SUBJECT:	Audit & Governance Annual Report 2022/23
PURPOSE:	To review the annual report on the previous years' work of the Committee as required by the Terms of Reference.
KEY DECISION:	N/A
PORTFOLIO HOLDER:	N/A
REPORT OF:	John Medler, Assistant Director Governance (Monitoring Officer)
REPORT AUTHOR:	Pippa Rose – Democratic Services Officer
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	N/A
EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

SUMMARY

The Audit & Governance Committee are required, by its Terms of Reference to report annually to Council on their work programme activities undertaken during the previous municipal years. Prior to the annual report being received by Council, the Audit & Governance Annual Report 2022/23 (Appendix A) is to be noted by the Audit & Governance Committee.

The Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report 2022/23 includes an overview of; the purpose of the Committee, the Membership of the 2022/23 Municipal Year, meetings and summary of work, internal audit, external audit, governance, treasury and accounts, risk management and training and development.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Members review the report and that it be approved to be presented to Full Council by the Chairman of the Audit & Governance Committee.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

To enable to work of the Audit & Governance Committee 2022/23 to be reported to Full Council

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not to approve the Annual report

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1** The Committee is required to consider a report which outlines the work undertaken by the Audit & Governance Committee in the previous year through its Terms of Reference.
- 1.2** The emergence of the Covid-19 pandemic saw a pause in production of the report however this has now been reinstated and the report will continue to be produced annually.

2. REPORT

- 2.1** The report gives an overview of the activities undertaken during the 2022/23 municipal year by the Audit & Governance Committee.
- 2.2** The report does not serve to reproduce the reasons for scrutiny of items nor the outcome of discussion. The report can, however, serve as a signpost for interested parties to obtain further information from the BBC website where agendas and approves minutes are published.

3. CONCLUSION

- 3.1** In presenting the information in the attached report, the work undertaken by Boston Borough Council's Audit and Governance Committee during 2022/23 is clearly defined.

EXPECTED BENEFITS TO THE PARTNERSHIP

None, report specific to Boston Borough Council

IMPLICATIONS

SOUTH AND EAST LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCILS PARTNERSHIP

None

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

None

STAFFING

None

WORKFORCE CAPACITY IMPLICATIONS

None

CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None

DATA PROTECTION

None

FINANCIAL

None

RISK MANAGEMENT

None

STAKEHOLDER / CONSULTATION / TIMESCALES

N/A

REPUTATION

None

CONTRACTS

None

CRIME AND DISORDER

None

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY/ HUMAN RIGHTS/ SAFEGUARDING

None

HEALTH AND WELL BEING

None

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

None

LINKS TO 12 MISSIONS IN THE LEVELLING UP WHITE PAPER

None

ACRONYMS

None

APPENDICES

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

APPENDIX A*Audit & Governance Annual Report 2022/23***BACKGROUND PAPERS**

'No background papers as defined in Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the production of this report.'

CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT

A report on this item has not been previously considered by a Council body

REPORT APPROVAL

Report author:

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Signed off by:

John Medler – Assistant Director, Governance and MO

Christine Marshall – Deputy Chief Executive,
Corporate development and Section 151

Approved for publication:

Councillor Barrie Pierpoint (Chairman of A&G)