



<b>Report To:</b>	Audit and Governance Committee
<b>Date:</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
<b>Subject:</b>	Audit and Governance Annual Report 2023/2024
<b>Purpose:</b>	To review the annual report on the previous years' work of the Committee as required by the Terms of Reference
<b>Key Decision:</b>	N/A
<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	N/A
<b>Report Of:</b>	John Medler, Assistant Director – Governance & Monitoring Officer
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<b>Ward(s) Affected:</b>	N/A
<b>Exempt Report:</b>	No

### **Summary**

The Audit & Governance Committee is required, by its Terms of Reference, to report annually to Council on their work programme activities undertaken during the previous municipal year. Prior to the annual report being received by Council, the Audit and Governance Annual Report 2023/2024 (Appendix 1) is to be noted by the Audit and Governance Committee.

The Audit and Governance Committee Annual Report 2023/2024 includes an overview of; the purpose of the Committee, the Membership of the 2023/2024 Municipal Year, meetings and summary of work, internal audit, external audit, governance, treasury and accounts, risk management and training and development.

N.B. Appendix 1 is to follow.

### **Recommendations**

That the Audit and Governance Committee approve the Committee's Annual Report 2023/24 for presentation to the Full Council.

## **Reasons for Recommendations**

To enable to work of the Audit and Governance Committee 2023/2024 to be reported to Full Council.

## **Other Options Considered**

Not to approve the Audit and Governance Committee 2023/2024 Annual Report.

### **1. Background**

- 1.1 The Committee is required, through its Terms of Reference, to consider a report which outlines the work undertaken by the Audit and Governance Committee in the previous year.

### **2. Report**

- 2.1 The report gives an overview of the activities undertaken during the 2023/2024 municipal year by the Audit and 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 Boston Borough Council website where agendas and 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 2023/2024 is clearly defined.

## **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**

None.

**Reputation**

None.

**Contracts**

None.

**Crime and Disorder**

None.

**Equality and Diversity / Human Rights / Safeguarding**

None.

**Health and Wellbeing**

None.

**Climate Change and Environmental Implications**

None.

**Acronyms**

None.

## **Appendices**

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

Appendix 1                                      Audit and Governance Annual Report 2023/2024

## **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**

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