
REPORT TO:	AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 7
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SUBJECT:	INDICATIVE EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2023-24	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: AS01

1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Committee note the indicative External Audit Plan as set out in Appendix A.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

2.1 The accompanying report has been issued by the Council's auditors for 2023/24 and beyond, Forvis Mazars LLP.

3.0 Introduction

3.1 Forvis Mazars LLP are the council's appointed auditors from 2023/24.

3.2 Mark Surridge, Partner, will be present at the meeting to present the report.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The scale fees paid Forvis Mazars LLP are prescribed by the PSAA (Public Sector Audit Appointments) and are included in the Council's budget.

5.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

5.1 There are no employment implications arising because of this report.

Legal Implications

5.2 There are no legal implications arising because of this report.

Corporate Plan Implications

5.3 There are no direct implications, however effective governance, risk management and control arrangements ensure the achievement of the Council Plan.

Risk Impact

5.4 Effective governance, risk management and control arrangements rely heavily on the assurances of an independent external auditor.

7.0 Community Impact

Consultation

7.1 There are no consultation matters to be considered.

Equality and Diversity Impact

7.2 There are no equality and diversity impact matters to be considered.

Social Value Impact

7.3 There are no social value impact matters to be considered.

Environmental Sustainability

7.4 There are no environmental sustainability matters to be considered.

8.0 Background papers

8.1 None.