

Barrow Borough Council
Audit and Governance Committee
29 July 2021

Audit and Governance Committee Work Plan

Report from: Director of Resources

Report Author: Director of Resources

Wards: None

1.0 Summary and Conclusions

- 1.1 The Work Plan sets out the business of the Audit and Governance Committee to provide a forward plan and to demonstrate that the terms of reference are covered.
- 1.2 The Work Plan for 2021-2022 is presented for information accompanied by a commentary of variations.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Audit and Governance Committee note the Work Plan for 2021-2022.**

3.0 Background and Proposals

- 3.1 The Work Plan (**Appendix 1**) is presented at each Audit and Governance Committee meeting to provide a forward plan of business.
- 3.2 The Work Plan is intended to demonstrate that the terms of reference are covered.
- 3.3 The Annual Plan from Grant Thornton is not available for this meeting and the indicator has been moved to the next meeting of this committee. It is expected that those charged with governance accept the Annual Plan in order for the audit to commence. An update on these arrangements will be provided at the meeting.
- 3.4 The complaints and compliments report is presented at this meeting rather than the September meeting as originally scheduled.
- 3.5 There is no restricted assurance monitoring to report to this meeting.

3.6 An Annual Report from the Chair was introduced to the Work Plan for presentation at Council. Unfortunately it has not been possible to prepare that for 2020/21 and this task will commence with a review of 2021/22.

4.0 Consultation

4.1 Consultation is not relevant to the recommendation.

5.0 Alternative Options

5.1 There are no alternative options as the report is presented for noting.

6.0 Contribution to Council Plan Priorities

6.1 In order to be able to deliver Council Plan Priorities the organisation must be sound in terms of internal control and governance and the Audit and Governance Committee is charged with that role.

7.0 Implications

Financial, Resources and Procurement

7.1.1 There are no financial, resource or procurement implications arising from this report.

Legal

7.1.2 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Equality and Diversity

7.2 Have you completed an Equality Impact Analysis? No, this report is for information.

Risk

Risk	Consequence	Controls required
The Committee does not fulfil the terms of reference assigned by Full Council.	The Council cannot demonstrate good governance.	Audit and Governance Committee work plan.

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Appendices Attached to this Report

Appendix No.	Name of Appendix
1	Audit and Governance Committee - Work Plan 2021-2022