

GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

Meeting	Item (Description/Title)		Purpose of Report	Author/Contact Officer	Date Entered/Updated By
<b>20 November 2024</b>	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
	2	Recent External Regulatory Reports Received (If Any)	To consider any reports received	Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	<b>Standing Item</b>
	3	Governance and Audit Committee Forward Work Programme	To review the work programme	Democratic Services	<b>Standing Item</b>
	4	Approval of Statement of Accounts 2022/23	To receive the opinion of Audit Wales and approve 2022/23 accounts.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit Audit Wales	
	5	Statement of Accounts 2023/24	To consider draft accounts prior to audit.	Liz Thomas-Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>Reports</b>					
	6	Treasury Management 2024/25 update.	To approve the mid-year update.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
	7	Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan 2025/26-2027/28.	To update the committee on progress in setting a balanced budget for 2025/26	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
	8	Corporate Risk Register Review		Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	
	9	Annual SIRO Report		Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	

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	10	DCC Local Code of Corporate Governance	Deferred from June Meeting	Gary Williams- Monitoring Officer	
	11	Tekal Agreement	Deferred from June Meeting	Gary Williams- Monitoring Officer	
<b>For Information</b>	12	Annual RIPA Report		Gary Willaims- Monitoring Officer	
<b>22 January 2025</b>					
	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
	2	Recent External Regulatory Reports Received (If Any)	To consider any reports received	Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	<b>Standing Item</b>
	3	Governance and Audit Committee Forward Work Programme	To review the work programme	Democratic Services	<b>Standing Item</b>
	4	Treasury Management Strategy	To approve the annual Treasury Management Strategy for 2025/2026 and the quarterly update for 2024/25	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
	5	Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan 2025/6-2027/28	To update the committee on progress in setting a balanced budget for 2025/26	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>Reports</b>					
	6	Internal Audit Update	To update the Committee on the Internal Audit's latest progress	Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	
<b>19 March 2025</b>					
	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>

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	4	Statement of Accounts 2023/24	To receive the opinion of Audit Wales and approve 2023/24 accounts.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>30 April 2025</b>					
	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	Standing Item
	2	Recent External Regulatory Reports Received (If Any)	To consider any reports received	Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	Standing Item
	3	Governance and Audit Committee Forward Work Programme	To review the work programme	Democratic Services	Standing Item
<b>Reports</b>					
	4	Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan 2026/27-2028/29	To update the committee on the revised 3 year strategy and budget projections.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
	5	Internal Audit Update		Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	
	6	Annual Internal Audit Report		Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	
	7	Internal Audit Charter, Strategy and Quality Assurance Improvement Programme 2025-2026		Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	

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<b>Update</b>	8	Treasury Management 2024/25 update.	To approve the quarterly update.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>For information</b>	9	Corporate Risk Register Review		Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	
<b>For information</b>	10	Terms of Reference Governance and Audit Committee			
<b>For information</b>	11	Council's Performance Management Guide			
<b>11 June 2025</b>					
	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
	2	Recent External Regulatory Reports Received (If Any)	To consider any reports received	Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	<b>Standing Item</b>
	3	Governance and Audit Committee Forward Work Programme	To review the work programme	Democratic Services	<b>Standing Item</b>
	4	Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan 2026/27-2028/29	To update the committee on progress in setting a balanced budget for 2026/27	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>Reports</b>					
	5	Council Performance Self-Assessment		The Lead Member for Finance, Performance and Strategic Assets- Councillor Gwyneth Ellis	
	6	Annual Governance Statement 2023-2024		Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	
	7	Annual GAC Report 2024/25		Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	

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<b>23 July 2025</b>	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
	2	Recent External Regulatory Reports Received (If Any)	To consider any reports received	Helen Vaughan Evans- Head of Corporate Support Services, Digital and Assets	<b>Standing Item</b>
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	4	Statement of Accounts 2024/25	To consider draft accounts prior to audit.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
<b>Reports</b>					
	5	Treasury Management 2025/26 update.	To approve the 2024/25 year-end report and to approve the 2025/26 quarterly update.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
	6	Annual Complaints Report/Your Voice			
<b>24 September 2025</b>	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
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	5	Internal Audit Update	To update the Committee on the Internal Audit's latest progress	Bob Chowdhury-Chief Internal Auditor	
	6	Annual Corporate Health and Safety Report		Corporate Health and Safety Manager	
	7	Annual Property Compliance Report		Sian Wainwright	
	8	Annual Whistleblowing Policy/Report		Gary Williams- Monitoring Officer	
<b>26 November 2025</b>	1	Issues Referred by Scrutiny Committees (If Any)	To receive any issues raised at Scrutiny	Rhian Evans/Karen Evans- Scrutiny Co-ordinators	<b>Standing Item</b>
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	4	Governance and Audit Committee Work Programme	To review the work programme	Democratic Services	
	5	Treasury Management 2025/26 update.	To approve the mid-year update.	Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	
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	9	Annual RIPA Report		Liz Thomas- Head of Finance and Audit	

**Future Items**

			Date Entered/Updated By
1	Changes to the Committee's Terms of Reference	Monitoring Officer	
2	Housing Revenue Account	Head of Finance to liaise with relevant department	
3	JICPA Assessment Update	To receive any updates. Corporate Director; Social Services and Education	

NB The exact date of publication of occasional reports by for example Audit Wales Office or Annual Reports by the Ombudsman are not presently known. They will be assigned a meeting date as soon as practicable

**Future Training Dates**

Date and Time	Topic	Officer
	Assurance Rating/Scoping of Audits/Status of Internal Audit	Chief Internal Officer
October 2024	Procurement Rules and Regulations	Monitoring Officer
	Risk Management	Strategic Planning and Performance Team Leader