Audit and Governance Committee



Date of meeting: 01 April 2025

Title of Report: Committee Assessment Review

Lead Strategic Director: David Northey (Service Director for Finance)

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Key Decision: No

Confidentiality: Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

This report provides an overview of the Self-Assessment exercise carried out for the Audit and Governance Committee and presents the findings for committee consideration.

Recommendations and Reasons

The Committee is recommended to:

- 1. Note the findings of the self-assessment exercise as detailed in Appendix 1;
- 2. Confirm that full compliance has been recognised in relation to each of the areas subject to scrutiny.

Alternative options considered and rejected

Not undertaking a self-assessment was rejected as CIPFA guidance recommends regular self-assessment for audit committees as good practice.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

The effectiveness of the Audit and Governance Committee supports the Council's corporate governance framework and contributes to the achievement of the Council's strategic objectives through effective risk management, control, and governance processes.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

None directly arising from this report.

Financial Risks

None directly arising from this report.

Legal Implications

(Provided by Liz Bryant/LB)

None.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

No impacts directly arising from this report.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

No impacts directly arising from this report. The work of the internal audit service is an intrinsic element of the Council's overall corporate governance, risk management and internal control framework.

Appendices

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Background papers:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Ollie Woodhams (Head of Finance)

Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes

Date agreed: 21/03/2025

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