

Report title	Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report - 2019/2020	
Referring body	Audit and Risk Committee	
Councillor to present report	Councillor Alan Butt	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Cabinet Member with lead responsibility	Councillor Louise Miles Cabinet Member for Resources	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Audit and Risk Committee	28 September 2020

Recommendation for decision:

The Council is recommended to:

1. Approve the contents of the 2019-2020 Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 This report summarises the main areas of work undertaken by the Audit and Risk Committee during 2019-2020.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 On 28 September 2020 Audit and Risk Committee considered a report on Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report 2019-2020.
- 2.2 Copies of the report have been supplied to Councillors and can also be accessed online on the Council's website [here](#).
- 2.3 Audit and Risk Committee recommended to Council:
1. That the Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report for 2019-2020 be endorsed and referred to Full Council for approval.

3.0 Audit and Risk Committee

- 3.1 The purpose of the Audit and Risk Committee is to provide independent assurance on the adequacy of the risk management framework and the internal control environment. It provides an independent review of the governance, risk management and control frameworks and oversees the financial reporting and annual governance processes. It oversees internal audit and external audit, helping to ensure efficient and effective assurance arrangements are in place.
- 3.2 The Audit and Risk Committee work programme continues to be developed and presented at regular meetings of the Committee.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 The financial implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

5.0 Legal implications

- 5.1 The legal implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

6.0 Equalities implications

- 6.1 The equalities implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

7.0 Climate change and environmental implications

7.1 The climate change and environmental implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

8.0 Human resources implications

8.1 The human resources implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

9.0 Corporate Landlord implications

9.1 The Corporate Landlord implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

10.0 Covid implications

10.1 The Covid implications are detailed in the Audit and Risk Committee report of 28 September 2020.

11.0 Schedule of background papers

11.1 Audit and Risk Committee – Annual Report 2019-2020 – 28 September 2020.

12.0 Appendices

12.1 Appendix 1: Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report 2019-2020.