Draft Governance and Audit Forward Work Programme

Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer
Meeting Date: 29th June 2021	Deadline: 17 th June 2021	
Code of Governance	To present the revised Code of Governance for the Council.	Louise Rosser
Complaints Policy	To present the Complaints Policy as a requirement of the ombudsman.	Audra Williams
Audit Wales Reports and	To receive the Audit Wales Reports and Recommendations Letter.	Gemma Wasley
Recommendations		•

Special Meeting Date: July 2021 TBC	Deadline:	
Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2021-2026	To provide Members with the strategic five-year Audit Plan for the period	Louise Rosser
	2021-2026.	
Draft Statement of Accounts 2020/21	To present for consideration the 2020/21 Draft Statement of Accounts and	Rhian Hayden
	to consider the Authority's financial standing as at 31 March 2021.	
Draft Annual Governance Statement	To present the draft Annual Governance Statement (AGS).	Louise Rosser
Internal Audit Charter	To provide an updated copy of the Internal Audit Charter.	Louise Rosser
BGCBC – Annual Audit Summary	To present the Audit Wales Annual Audit Summary.	Gemma Wasley

Meeting Date: 28 th September 2021	Deadline: 16 th September 2021	
Statement of Accounts 2020/21	To present for approval the 2016/17 Statement of Accounts and to consider the Authority's financial standing as at 31st March 2021.	Rhian Hayden
Audit of Financial Statements	To consider the report from the Council's External Auditors Wales Audit Office.	Rhian Hayden
Annual Governance Statement	To present the final Annual Governance Statement (AGS).	Louise Rosser
Annual Audit Review	To present the Audit Wales Annual Audit Review for Blaenau Gwent.	Michelle Morris / Gemma Wasley
Audit Plan Progress Report (Qtr 1)	To update Members on the progress against the Internal Audit Plan.	Louise Rosser
Certificate of Compliance 2021/22	To present the Audit Wales Certificate of Compliance.	Gemma Wasley

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Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer
Meeting Date: 2 nd November 2021	Deadline: 21 st October 2021	
Audit Plan Progress Report (Qtr 2)	To update Members on the progress against the Internal Audit Plan.	Louise Rosser
RIPA Activity	To report on authorised RIPA activity as per the Council's policy.	Andrea Jones

Meeting Date: 7 th December 2021	Deadline: 24 th November 2021	
Annual Report of the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales 2020/21	To inform Members of the Council's performance with regard to complaints to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.	Andrea Jones
Corporate Risk Register / Risk Update		Louise Rosser

Meeting Date: 25 th January 2021	Deadline: 13 th January 2021	
Audit Plan Progress report (Qtr 3)	To update Members on the progress against the Internal Audit Plan.	Louise Rosser
Audit Wales- Audit of Blaenau Gwent	To receive the Audit Wales audit of the Council's Assessment of	Gemma Wasley
Assessment of Performance 2020-21	Performance	

Meeting Date: 22 nd March 2022	Deadline: 10 th March 2022	
Code of Governance	To present the revised Code of Governance for the Council.	Louise Rosser

Meeting Date: 28th April 2022	Deadline: 18 th April 2022	
Internal Audit Outturn 2021/2022	To present the Internal Audit Outturn for 2021/22	Louise Rosser