## **Governance and Audit Forward Work Programme**

| Topic                                   | Purpose  | Lead Officer  |
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| Meeting Date: 11th July 2022            |  |               |
| Code of Governance                      | To present the revised Code of Governance for the Council.                           | Louise Rosser |
| Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2021-2026 | To provide Members with the strategic five-year Audit Plan for the period 2021-2026. | Louise Rosser |
| Internal Audit Outturn 2021/2022        | To present the Internal Audit Outturn for 2021/22                                    | Louise Rosser |
| Annual Report of the Audit and Risk     | To present the opinion of the Annual Opinion of the Audit & Risk Manager             | Louise Rosser |
| Manager                                 |  |               |

| Special Meeting Date: 27th July 2022  |  |               |
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| Forward Work Programme 2022/23        | To agree the FWP for 2022/23                                       | Chair         |
| Internal Audit Charter                | To provide an updated copy of the Internal Audit Charter.          | Louise Rosser |
| Audit Plan Progress Report (Qtr 1)    | To update Members on the progress against the Internal Audit Plan. | Louise Rosser |
| BGCBC – Annual Audit Summary          | To present the Audit Wales Annual Audit Summary.                   | Sarah King    |
| Audit Wales 2022 Audit Plan for BGCBC | To present the Audit Wales 2022 Audit Plan.                        | Rhian Hayden  |

| Meeting Date: 21st September 2022    |  |               |
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| Draft Annual Governance Statement    | To present the draft Annual Governance Statement (AGS).                  | Louise Rosser |
| Quality Assurance and Improvement    | To present the Quality Assurance and Improvement Programme for           | Louise Rosser |
| Programme                            | Internal Audit Services  |               |
| Governance and Audit Committee       | To present the Governance and Audit Committee Terms of Reference         | Steve Berry   |
| Terms of Reference                   |  |               |
| Annual Report of the Public Services | To inform Members of the Council's performance with regard to complaints | Andrea Jones  |
| Ombudsman for Wales 2020/21          | to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.                              |               |

| Special Meeting Date: 20th October 2022               |   |            |
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| Annual Self-Assessment of Council                     | To present the Annual Self-Assessment of Council performance. | Sarah King |
| Performance 2021/22                                   |   |            |
| To be published by 31 <sup>st</sup> October each year |   |            |

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| Topic  | Purpose  | Lead Officer  |
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| Meeting Date: 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 |  |               |
| 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  |
| Complaints Report (Qtr1 & Qtr2)              | To present the bi-annual report on Complaints as required by the Ombudsman   | Andrea Jones  |
| Draft Statement of Accounts 2021/22          | To present for consideration the 2021/22 Draft Statement of Accounts and to consider the Authority's financial standing as at 31 March 2022. | Rhian Hayden  |

| Meeting Date: 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 |  |               |
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| Audit Plan Progress report (Qtr 3)          | To update Members on the progress against the Internal Audit Plan.             | Louise Rosser |
| External Quality Assessment                 | To report on the outcomes of the external quality assessment of Internal Audit | Louise Rosser |

| Meeting Date: 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2023  |  |                       |
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| Statement of Accounts 2021/22             | To present for approval the 2021/22 Statement of Accounts and to   | Rhian Hayden          |
|   | consider the Authority's financial standing as at 31st March 2022. |                       |
| Audit of Financial Statements             | To consider the report from the Council's External Auditors Wales  | Rhian Hayden          |
|   | Audit Office.  |                       |
| Annual Governance Statement               | To present the final Annual Governance Statement (AGS).            | Louise Rosser         |
| SRS Position Statement                    | To present a position statement on the partnership with the SRS    | Bernadette Elias      |
| Audit Wales - Learning from Cyber Attacks | To present the Audit Wales report.                                 | Rhian Hayden          |
| National Audit Wales Study – Time for     | To present the Audit Wales report.                                 | Tanya Evans           |
| Change – Poverty in Wales                 |  |                       |
| Audit Wales - Springing Forward           | To present the Audit Wales report.                                 | CLT                   |
| Audit Wales – Safeguarding Follow Up      | To present the Audit Wales report                                  | Tanya Evans           |
| Audit Wales – Assurance and Risk          | To present the Audit Wales report                                  | Damien McCann / Rhian |
| Assessment Review                         |  | Hayden / Sarah King   |
| Estyn Feedback report                     | To present the Estyn report  | Lynn Phillips         |
| Corporate Risk Register / Risk Update     | To update Members on the current corporate risk register           | Louise Rosser         |

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| Meeting Date: 26th April 2023    |  |               |
| Code of Governance               | To present the revised Code of Governance for the Council. | Louise Rosser |
| Internal Audit Outturn 2022/2023 | To present the Internal Audit Outturn for 2022/23          | Louise Rosser |

|   | Meeting Date: Dates to be arranged as necessary  |            |
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| Review of Governance and oversight arrangements of companies of which the Council has an interest | Following the audit Wales review of Silent Valley and subsequent recommendation, the following companies will be included within this report:  Gwent Crematorium  Gwent Archives  EAS  ALT | Sarah King |
| Audit Wales – Regenerating Town Centres   | To present the Audit Wales report.   | Ellie Fry  |
| Audit Wales Reports   |  | Various    |