#### Central Bedfordshire Council

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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# **Work Programme**

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# Purpose of this report

The purpose of this report is to assist the Audit Committee in discharging its responsibilities by providing a proposed work programme for consideration.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee considers the proposed work programme attached at Appendix A.

#### **Overview and Scrutiny Comments/Recommendations**

1. This report is not scheduled to be considered by Overview and Scrutiny as the Audit Committee provides independent scrutiny of the Authority's financial performance.

#### **Background**

- 2. To assist the Audit Committee a work programme is attached at Appendix A to this report. The work programme contains the known agenda items that the Committee will need to consider.
- 3. Additional items will be identified as the municipal year progresses. The work programme is therefore subject to change.

#### **Council Priorities**

4. The activities of the Audit Committee are crucial to the governance arrangements of the organisation.

#### **Corporate Implications**

## **Legal Implications**

5. There are no legal implications.

## **Financial Implications**

6. There are no financial implications.

#### **Equalities Implications**

- 7. Central Bedfordshire Council has a statutory duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and foster good relations in respect of nine protected characteristics; age disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.
- 8. Report authors will be encouraged to work with the Corporate Policy Advisor (Equality & Diversity) in order to ensure that relevant equality implications are identified.

## **Conclusion and next Steps**

9. This report will assist the Audit Committee in discharging its responsibilities. Any amendments approved by the Committee will be incorporated in the work programme.

## **Appendices**

Appendix A – Audit Committee Work Programme

## **Background Papers**

None