<u>AUDIT & ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE</u> <u>5 FEBRUARY 2020</u>

WORK PLAN

Meeting at which action to be undertaken	Subject and Brief Description	Who will present the report	Intended Outcome
5 February 2020	Draft Treasury Strategy 2020/21	Andrew Snape	Gain assurance that risks in relation to the Council's treasury management activities are to be managed in accordance with need and the Council's risk appetite
	Draft Capital Strategy 2020/21	Andrew Snape	Outlines the principles and framework that shape the Council's capital proposals
	Draft Investment Strategy 2020/21	Andrew Snape	The investment strategy is a new report for 2019/20, meeting the requirements of statutory guidance issued by the government.
	Internal Audit Progress Report 2019/20	Lucy Pledge/Emma Bee/Amanda Hunt (Assurance Lincolnshire)	Understand the level of assurance for audited activities and ensure management progress recommended actions to mitigate identified risks
	Review of Independent Members Appointment	Nick Wilson	Review options and requirements of appointing an Independent Member to the Audit Committee
	Risk Management report	Richard Bates	Gain assurance that appropriate risk management arrangements are in place
	Review of significant internal control issues highlighted in the Annual Governance Statement	Nick Wilson	Gain assurance that the Council is making progress on any governance issues that were raised in the AGS
	Combined Assurance Report	Nick Wilson/ Amanda Hunt	Combined all levels of assurance throughout the Council
	Draft Annual Internal Audit Plan 2020/21	Lucy Pledge/Emma Bee/ Amanda Hunt(Assurance Lincolnshire)	Ensure that an appropriate plan is in place which will provide assurance on the Council's activities
	Responses to questions raised at previous meeting	Nick Wilson	
	Audit Committee Work Programme	Nick Wilson	

22 April 2020	Statement of Accounting Policies	Andrew Snape	Gain assurance that the Council has appropriate accounting policies in place that reflect the way items are treated in the annual Statement of Accounts
	IAS19 Pension Assumptions	Andrew Snape	Gain assurance that the pension assumptions used by the actuary to produce the figures in the Statement of Accounts are appropriate for the Council's circumstances
	External Certification of Grant Claims and Returns 2018/19- move to april	TBC (Mazars)	Gain assurance that claims and returns have been managed appropriately,
	Property, Plant and Equipment Valuation Assumptions	Andrew Snape	Gain assurance that the assumptions used by the Council's valuers to produce the figures in the Statement of Accounts are appropriate for the Council's circumstances
	Internal Audit Progress Report 2019/20	Lucy Pledge/Emma Bee/ Amanda Hunt(Assurance Lincolnshire)	Understand the level of assurance for audited activities and ensure management progress recommended actions to mitigate identified risks
	Counter-Fraud Activity Report	Nick Wilson	Gain assurance that counter-fraud activity is appropriately targeted and effective
	Risk Management report	Richard Bates	Gain assurance that appropriate risk management arrangements are in place
	External Audit Plan for 2019/20 Accounts	TBC (Mazars)	Ensure that an appropriate plan is in place which will provide assurance on the Council's Statement of Accounts, Value for Money arrangements and Grant claims
	Fraud Risk Assessment	Nick Wilson	Gain assurance that the Council understands its fraud risks and that actions are put in place to address them
	Responses to questions raised at previous meeting	Nick Wilson	
July 2020	Treasury Management Outturn Report 2019/20	Andrew Snape	Gain assurance that treasury management activities were in line with the Treasury Management Strategy for the past financial year
	External Audit Annual Governance Report 2019/20	TBC (Mazars)	To gain assurance that the Council's Statement of Accounts are a true and fair representation of the Council's financial

		performance for the previous financial year and financial standing as at the Balance Sheet date, and that the Council has effective arrangements for achieving Value for Money
Statement of Accounts 2019/20 & Annual Governance Statement	Nick Wilson	Gain assurance on the integrity of financial reporting By considering the assurance gained through its activities throughout the previous year, to give assurance that the Council's Annual Governance Statement accurately represents governance arrangements, that future risks are identified, and that arrangements in place support the achievement of the Council's objectives
Annual Internal Audit Report 2019/20	Lucy Pledge/Emma Bee/ Amanda Hunt(Assurance Lincolnshire)	Gain assurance that the Council's Annual Governance Statement accurately represents governance arrangements, that future risks are identified and that governance arrangements support the achievement of the Council's objectives
Internal Audit Progress Report 2020/21	Lucy Pledge/Emma Bee/ Amanda Hunt(Assurance Lincolnshire)	Understand the level of assurance for audited activities and ensure management progress recommended actions to mitigate identified risks
Internal Audit Report Process	Nick Wilson	To set a process for the internal flow of internal audit reports
Biannual Review of the Effectiveness of the Internal Audit Function	Nick Wilson	To consider whether the Internal Audit function is operating effectively and produce an action plan to address any required improvements
Partnership Register Report	Kate Marshall	To gain assurance that partnerships the Council are engaged with are, are working effectively.
Audit and Accounts Committee Annual Report 2019/20	Nick Wilson	To review the work that the Committee has undertaken during the last financial year
Audit Committee Work Programme	Nick Wilson	