

Report Title:

Audit Committee Self-Assessment

Report Author(s):

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Purpose of Report:	To inform Audit Committee of the Self-Assessment exercise undertaken against the CIPFA Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police 2022 – A Self-Assessment of Good Practice
Report Summary:	A self-assessment of the Audit Committee and the knowledge and skills assessment is provided for
Recommendation(s):	That the committee: 1) Notes the content of the report and appendices; and 2) Agrees the findings within the self-assessment and the action plan.
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Strategic Objectives:	Our Council (SO1)
Vision and Values:	"Our Borough - The Place To Be" (Vision) Resourceful & Resilient (V4)
Report Implications:-	
Legal:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Financial:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Corporate Risk Management:	Decreasing Financial Resources / Increasing Financial Pressures (CR1) Reputation Damage (CR4) Economy / Regeneration (CR9)
Equalities and Equalities Assessment (EA):	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Human Rights:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Health and Safety:	There are no implications directly arising from this report.
Statutory Officers' Comments:-	

Head of Paid Service:	The report is satisfactory.
Chief Finance Officer:	As the author, the report is satisfactory.
Monitoring Officer:	The report is satisfactory.
Consultees:	Member Working Group
Background Papers:	 Report entitled Audit Committee Self-Assessment Approach to Audit Committee on 04 October 2023 (<u>https://moderngov.oadby-</u> wigston.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=364&MId=2549&Ver=)
Appendices:	 OWBC Self-Assessment Questionnaire Audit Committee Action Plan

1. Self-Assessment

- 1.1 A small, elected member working group from the Audit Committee was established to undertake the self-assessment of the audit committee and the knowledge and skills assessment, with the support of the Head of Finance (Interim Section 151 Officer).
- 1.2 The self-assessment covered "strengths / what works well" and "areas for improvement". The completed document is provided as Appendix 1.
- 1.3 An Audit Committee action plan has been established to address the areas for improvement this is included as Appendix 2.