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Name and date of Committee	AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 23rd NOVEMBER 2023
Subject	MONITORING REPORT ON MANAGEMENT RESPONSES TO, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF, THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FINDING AND RECOMMENDATIONS
Wards affected	All
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Summary/Purpose	To provide Members with an update on the External Auditor Findings and Recommendations from the 2021/22 financial and value for money audits carried out by Grant Thornton.
Annexes	Annex A – Update on Audit Findings Report Recommendations Annex B – Update on Auditor’s Annual Report Recommendations
Recommendation(s)	That Audit and Governance Committee resolves to: I. Note the contents of the report.
Corporate priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Putting Residents First• A Good Quality of Life for All• A Better Environment for People and Wildlife• Responding to the Climate and Ecological Emergency• Working Together for West Oxfordshire
Key Decision	NO
Exempt	NO
Consultees/ Consultation	N/A

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1** The Audit Findings Report was issued on 21st March 2023 and presented to the Audit and Governance Committee on 30th March 2023. This report focussed on the financial audit (Minute No. 38 refers).
- 1.2** The Auditor's Annual Report was issued on 1st August 2023 and was presented to the Audit and Governance Committee on 10th August 2023. This report focussed on the "value for money" audit (Minute No. 9 refers).

2. MAIN POINTS

- 2.1** This report seeks to provide the Audit and Governance Committee with an update with regards to the recommendations made and the management responses and actions against them.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1** None

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1** None

5. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 5.1** None

6. EQUALITIES IMPACT

None

7. CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1** None.

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