



WEST OXFORDSHIRE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Name and date of Committee	<b>AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 27 MARCH 2025</b>
Subject	<b>EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025</b>
Wards affected	ALL
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Summary/Purpose	To present Members with the draft Audit Plan for the year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2025.
Annexes	Annex A – Audit Plan for Year Ended 31 March 2025
Recommendation(s)	That the Audit and Governance Committee resolves to: I. Note the content of the report and the annex
Corporate priorities	Internal Audit supports all Council Corporate Priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Putting Residents First</li><li>• A Good Quality of Life for All</li><li>• A Better Environment for People and Wildlife</li><li>• Responding to the Climate and Ecological Emergency</li><li>• Working Together for West Oxfordshire</li></ul>
Key Decision	NO
Exempt	NO
Consultees	Not Applicable

## **1. BACKGROUND**

1.1 Each year the external auditors are required to provide the Audit and Governance Committee with an:

- i) Overview of the nature and scope of the audit and
- ii) Bring to their attention the key aspects of the audit.

## **2. MAIN POINTS**

2.1 The annex to this report contains the Draft Audit Plan for the year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

2.2 Alex Walling, from Bishop Fleming, will be joining the meeting to present the plan.

## **3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

3.1 None.

## **4. CONCLUSIONS**

4.1 The Audit and Governance Committee are requested to note the draft Audit Plan 2024-25.

## **5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 None.

## **6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 None.

## **7. RISK ASSESSMENT**

7.1 None.

## **8. EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.1 None.

## **9. CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCIES IMPLICATIONS**

None.

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