

Council

12 May 2025

Annual Report of the Audit & Governance Committee 2025/26

**Report by Deputy Chief Executive & S151 Officer /
Director of Law & Governance & Monitoring Officer**

RECOMMENDATION

1. The Council is **RECOMMENDED** to

To note the contents of the Annual Report of the Audit & Governance Committee 2025/26.

Executive Summary

2. The Audit & Governance Committee Annual Report 2025/26 is attached at Appendix 1. The Annual Report contains information relating to the work of Audit & Governance Committee during 2025/26. It is presented to Council, by the Chair of the Audit & Governance Committee.

Annual Report

3. Within recommended practice for Audit Committees (CIPFA, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy – Audit Committees Practical Guidance 2022), the committee should report on an annual basis to Council on how the committee has discharged its responsibilities.
4. The Annual Report 2025/26 was approved at the March Audit & Governance Committee.

Financial Implications

5. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Comments checked by: Lorna Baxter, Deputy Chief Executive & S151 Officer,
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Legal Implications

6. There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

Comments checked by: Anita Bradley, Director of Law & Governance & Monitoring Officer, anita.bradley@oxfordshire.gov.uk

Staff Implications

7. There are no staffing implications arising from this report.

Equality & Inclusion Implications

8. There are no equality and inclusion implications arising from this report.

Sustainability Implications

9. There are no sustainability implications arising from this report.

Risk Management

10. There are no risk management implications arising from this report.

Lorna Baxter, Deputy Chief Executive & S151 Officer
Anita Bradley, Director of Law & Governance & Monitoring Officer

Annex: Annual Report of the Audit and Governance Committee
2025/26.

Background papers: None.

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