

**Manchester City Council
Report for Information**

Report to: Audit Committee – 28 November 2023
Subject: Work Programme and Decisions Monitor
Report of: Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Summary

This report provides the following information:

- Recommendations Monitor
- Items for information
- The draft Work Programme

Recommendation

The Committee is invited to discuss the information provided and agree any changes to the work programme that are necessary.

Wards Affected: All

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Background document (available for public inspection):

None

1. Monitoring Previous Audit Committee Decisions

This section of the report contains decisions made by the Committee and responses to them indicating whether the decisions will be implemented, and if it will be, how this will be done.

Date	Item	Decision	Response	Contact Officer
There are no decisions to report from the last meeting.				

**Audit Committee
Work Programme – 2023/24**

Meeting date – Tuesday 28 November 2023 (Report deadline – Friday 17 November 2023)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer
Annual Audit report 2021/22 and the Audit Completion letter 2021/22	To receive the Annual Audit report and the associated Completion letter for the 2021/22 Accounts.		Mazars (External Auditors)
External Audit Update 2022/23 Accounts	To receive an update on the progress of the 2022/23 accounts.		Mazars (External Auditors)
Accounts Annual Update	To receive an update on the Annual Accounts	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer
Treasury Management Update	To note, receive and comment on Treasury Management activities over the last six months.	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer
Internal Audit Assurance Q2	To note, receive and comment on Internal Audit assurance activity in Quarter 2.	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Outstanding Audit Recommendations Q2	To note receive and comment on the implementation of audit recommendations in Quarter 2.		The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Annual Counter Fraud (Public Excluded)	To receive, note and consider on Annual Counter Fraud findings and activity.	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer and the Head of Audit and Risk Management

Work Programme	The monthly report includes the decisions monitor, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.		
Annual Complaints report	To note, receive and comment on the complaints, enquiries and information request dashboard, in respect of annual performance for 2022/23 corporate and social care complaints.	Councillor Akbar	The City Solicitor and the Assistant Chief Executive

Meeting date – Tuesday 12 December 2023

Annual Training Event

Meeting date 13 February 2024 – (Report deadline – Friday 2 February 2024)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer
External Audit Update	To receive, note and comment on progress of draft accounts for 2023/24.		Mazars (External Auditors)
Internal Audit Plan 2024/25	To receive, note and consider the Internal Audit Plan for 2024/25	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Accounting Concepts and Policies, Critical Accounting Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation Uncertainty	To receive, note and consider the accounting concepts and policies, critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty that will be used in preparing the 2023/24 annual accounts.	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer
Corporate Risk Strategy and Risk Register	To receive, note and comment on the Corporate Risk Strategy and the associated Risk Register.	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer
Register of Significant Partnerships	To receive the six-monthly update on the Register of Significant Partnerships.	Councillor Akbar	The Deputy Chief Executive and City Treasurer
Review of the Effectiveness of Internal Audit, Audit Committee and QAIP	To note receive and consider the efficacy of Internal Audit, the Audit Committee and the Quality Assurance Improvement Plan.	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Internal Audit Assurance Q3	To receive note and consider Internal Audit assurance opinions and activity in Quarter 3.	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management

Outstanding Audit recommendations Q3	To note receive and comment on the implementation of audit recommendations in Quarter 3.	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Work Programme	The monthly report includes the decisions monitor, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.		

Meeting date – 12 March 2024 – (Report deadline – Friday 1st March 2024)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer
Annual Audit Report and Completion Letter 2022/23			Mazars (External Auditors)
External Audit Progress	To receive, note and comment on progress of draft accounts for 2023/24.		Mazars (External Auditors)
Annual Audit Opinion 2022/23	To receive, note and consider the Annual Internal Audit Assurance Opinion for 2022/23	Councillor Akbar	The Head of Audit and Risk Management
Work Programme	The monthly report includes the decisions monitor, the Committee's work programme and any items for information.	N/A	Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit

Meeting date – 9 April 2024 – (Report deadline – Friday 29 March 2024)

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer
External Audit Update	To receive, note and comment on progress of draft accounts for 2023/24.		Mazars (External Auditors)

Risk Review item: TBC			
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To be Scheduled:

Item	Purpose	Executive Member	Strategic Director/ Lead Officer
Annual Audit of Accounts and Completion Letter for 2023/24			External Auditors (Mazars)
Draft Accounts 2023/24			
External Audit Plan 2023/24			External Auditors (Mazars)