

Meeting:	Audit & Governance Committee
Meeting date:	28/01/2025
Report of:	Debbie Mitchell, Director of Finance (S151 Officer)
Portfolio of:	Councillor Katie Lomas, Executive Member for Finance, Performance, Major Projects, Human Rights, Equality and Inclusion

Audit and Governance Committee Report: External Audit Completion Report 2024/25 and Draft Auditors Annual Report

Subject of Report

1. The paper attached at Annex A is the Audit Completion Report from Forvis Mazars and communicates their findings of the audit for the year ended 31 March 2025.
2. Attached at Annex B is the Draft Auditors Annual Report which contains draft commentary on the Value for money (VFM) arrangements at the Council.

Recommendation and Reasons

3. Note the matters set out in the Audit Progress Report and draft Auditors Annual Report presented by the external auditor.

Reason

To ensure the proper consideration of the progress of the external auditor in respect of the annual audit of accounts and review of the council's arrangements for ensuring value for money

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Annexes

A – Audit Completion Report year ended 31 March 2025

B – Draft Auditors Annual Report (containing draft value for money conclusion) year ended 31 March 2025