## STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## **26 OCTOBER 2023**

Report Title	Annual Report of The Chair of The Audit and Standards Committee for 2022-23			
Purpose of Report	The Annual Report of the Chair of the Audit and Standards Committee (the Committee) summarises the Committee's activities during 2022-23 and sets out its plans for the next twelve months. This report provides independent assurance that the Council has in place:  I. Adequate and effective governance, risk management and internal control frameworks;  II. Internal and External Audit services; and  III. Financial reporting arrangements that can be relied upon and which contribute to the high corporate governance standards that this Council expects and maintains.			
Decision(s)	COUNCIL RESOLVES to approve the Annual Report 2022-23 as recommended by Audit and Standards Committee.			
Consultation and Feedback	Audit and Standards Committee have been consulted on the report content.			
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Options	There are no alternative options that are relevant to this matter.			
Background Papers	None.			
Appendices	Appendix A – Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report 2022-23.			
Implications	Financial	Legal	Equality	Environmental
(details at the end of the report)	No	No	No	No