

# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

## AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

26 SEPTEMBER 2023

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Annual Report of The Chair of The Audit and Standards Committee for 2022-23</b>			
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	<p>The Annual Report of the Chair of the Audit and Standards Committee (the Committee) summarises the Committee’s activities during 2021-22 and sets out its plans for the next twelve months. This report provides independent assurance that the Council has in place:</p> <p>I. Adequate and effective governance, risk management and internal control frameworks;</p> <p>II. Internal and External Audit services; and</p> <p>III. Financial reporting arrangements that can be relied upon and which contribute to the high corporate governance standards that this Council expects and maintains.</p>			
<b>Decision(s)</b>	<p><b>The Committee</b></p> <p><b>a) RESOLVES to agree the Annual Report of the Chair of the Audit and Standards Committee 2022-23; and</b></p> <p><b>b) RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL that the Annual Report 2022-23 be approved.</b></p>			
<b>Consultation and Feedback</b>	Audit and Standards Committee have been consulted on the report content.			
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<b>Options</b>	There are no alternative options that are relevant to this matter.			
<b>Background Papers</b>	None.			
<b>Appendices</b>	Appendix A – Audit and Standards Committee Annual Report 2022-23.			
<b>Implications (details at the end of the report)</b>	Financial	Legal	Equality	Environmental
	No	No	No	No