Blaby District Council

Audit & Corporate Governance Committee

Date of Meeting 22 April 2024

Title of Report Annual Report of the Audit & Corporate Governance

Report Author Committee 2023-24

Shared Service Audit Manager

1. What is this report about?

1.1 The report is to detail how the committee has complied with the CIPFA Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police 2022.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 To agree the content on the report in advance of it being presented to Council.
- 2.2 The report is presented at Council to be noted.

3. Reason for Decision(s) Recommended

3.1 To ensure compliance with the CIPFA Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police 2022

4. Matters to consider

4.1 Background

In May 2022, the Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA) published a revised and updated edition of the document *Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police 2022.* In addition to the statement CIPFA also released guidance documentation in October 2022 – *Audit committees: practical guidance for local authorities and police.*

A report was presented to Audit & Corporate Governance Committee on 17 April 2023 proposing the initial steps to the implementation of the position statement.

4.3 Relevant Consultations

Not applicable

4.4 Significant Issues

None.

5. What will it cost and are there opportunities for savings?

5.1 No costs or opportunities for savings in the context of this report.

6. What are the risks and how can they be reduced?

6.1 There are no risks relating to this report.

7. Other options considered

7.1 Not applicable.

8. Other significant issues

8.1 In preparing this report, the author has considered issues related to Human Rights, Legal Matters, Human Resources, Equalities, Public Health Inequalities, and Climate Local and there are no areas of concern.

9. Appendix

9.1 Appendix 1 – Annual Report of the Audit & Corporate Governance Committee 2023-24.

10. Background paper(s)

<u>CIPFA Position Statement: Audit Committees in Local Authorities and Police 2022</u>

11. Report author's contact details

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