

**Name of meeting: CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE**

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

**Title of report: ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE MAY 2018- MAY 2019**

**Purpose of report; To provide information about the work of the Committee in 2018/19**

<b>Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards?</b>	<b>not applicable</b>
<b>Key Decision - Is it in the Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports?)</b>	<b>not applicable</b>
<b>The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny?</b>	<b>not applicable</b>
<b>Date signed off by Strategic Director &amp; name</b>  <b>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance IT and Transactional Services?</b>  <b>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning Support?</b>	<b>Julie Muscroft, Director of Legal , Governance &amp; Commissioning 8 May 2019</b>
<b>Cabinet member portfolio</b>	<b>not applicable</b>

**Electoral wards affected: All**

**Ward councillors consulted: None**

**Public or private: Public**

**Have you considered GDPR? Yes**

## **1. Summary**

- 1.1 Attached is the Draft Annual Report of the Corporate Governance & Audit Committee. It is the first report from the Committee, but it is thought useful as a reminder to the organisation of the role of this committee is providing assurance about its governance, and financial and business controls..
- 1.2 The report would normally be signed off by the Chair, but the role holder in 2018/19 was not re-elected in May 2019, so the recommendation is that the report is signed off by the three members who have sat and continue in their committee role.

2. **Information required to take a decision**

2.1 The detail is contained within the draft report attached.

3. **Implications for the Council**

3.1 **Working with People** – None directly

3.2 **Working with Partners** – None directly

3.3 **Place Based Working** – None directly

3.4 **Improving outcomes for children**– None directly

3.5 **Other (eg Legal/Financial or Human Resources)**- Although each of the sub categorisations above suggest no direct implications, the work of the committees covers all aspects of the councils operations, including elements of the above, either specifically, indirectly or on a commissioned basis. The main issues relate to delivering sound governance and control.

4. **Consultees and their opinions**

4.1 There are no consultees to this report, although members of the committee may wish to make observations and comments in relation to improvement of the draft report.

5. **Next steps and timelines**

5.1 To consider if any additional / amendments to the text are required.

6. **Officer recommendations and reasons**

6.1 Members are asked to make any additional / amendments to the text are required.

6.2 Members approve the annual report.

7. **Cabinet portfolio holder's recommendations**

Not applicable

8. **Contact officer**

Martin Dearnley, Head of Risk & Internal Audit (01484 221133 x73672)

9. **Background Papers and History of Decisions**

All papers and minutes of the committee.

10. **Service Director responsible**

Not applicable