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Bedfordshire Fire and Rescue Authority Audit and Standards Committee 21 September 2021

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SUBJECT: **WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22**

For further information

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Background Papers: None

Implications (tick ✓):

LEGAL			FINANCIAL
HUMAN RESOURCES			EQUALITY IMPACT
ENVIRONMENTAL			POLICY
CORPORATE RISK	Known	✓	OTHER (please specify)
	New		

Any implications affecting this report are noted at the end of the report.

PURPOSE:

To review and report on the work programme for 2021/22 and to provide Members with an opportunity to request additional reports for the Audit and Standards Committee meetings for 2021/22.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Members consider the work programme for 2021/22 and note the 'cyclical' Agenda Items for each meeting in 2021/22.

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AUDIT AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE - PROGRAMME OF WORK 2021/22

Meeting Date	'Cyclical' Ag	enda Items	Additional/Commissioned Agenda Items		
	Item	Notes	Item	Notes	
21 Sept 2021	External Audit Progress Report (E&Y)	Deferred to December mtg by E&Y	Statement of Assurance	Added by ACO	
	Audit Results Report and Fees (E&Y)	Deferred to December mtg	Cyber Security Update	Added by ACO	
	(Results of 2020/21 audit including any matters outstanding)				
	Internal Audit Progress Report				
	Audit and Governance Action Plan Monitoring				
	Review of Fire Authority's Effectiveness (<i>Biennial review</i> – due 2022/23)				
	Corporate Risk Register - Exception Report				
	Work Programme 2021/22				

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2 Dec 2021	Internal Audit Progress Report (TBC)			
	External Audit Progress Report (E&Y)			
	Audit Results Report and Fees (E&Y)	Deferred from Sept mtg		
	(Results of 2020/21 audit including any matters outstanding)			
	Review of the Effectiveness of the Fire and Rescue Authority's Internal Auditors (TBC)			
	Audit and Governance Action Plan Monitoring			
	Review of 'Monitored Policies'			
	Report on Registration of Interests and Gifts/Hospitality			
	Review of the Audit and Standards Committee Effectiveness (Biennial review – due 2022/23)	Outcome of Member Development day awaited		
	Statement of Assurance			
	Corporate Risk Register - Exception Report			
	Work Programme 2021/22			

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3 March 2022	External Audit Plan 2021/22 (E&Y)			
	Effectiveness of the Authority's External Auditors			
	Internal Audit Progress Report			
	Internal Audit Strategy 2021/22 to 2024/25			
	Audit and Governance Action Plan Monitoring			
	Update to the Authority's Finance Regs (Biennial review – due 2023)			
	Annual Review of the Fire Authority's Effectiveness (Biennial review – due 2022/23)			
	Annual Review of entire Corporate Risk Register	Restricted report		
	Review of Work Programme 2021/22	Forward plan for 2022/23		