Audit and Governance Committee - Action Log

Committee Date	Action	Lead Officer	Update on Progress
July 2025	Whistleblowing Policy to be added back onto the Work Programme for September 2025.	Head of Audit, Risk and Assurance	Update : Scheduled for Feb 2026
September 2025	Final Annual Governance Statement 2023-24 to be amended to include reference to the Going Concern statement, as set out below. In finalising their audit work on the 2023/24 statement of accounts, the external auditors requested that the Council include an additional disclosure on going concern in recognition of the challenging landscape within which Cheshire East Council and other local authorities find themselves. This was presented to the September 2025 meeting of the Audit and Governance Committee'.	Head of Audit, Risk and Assurance	Completed
	Annual Report of the Audit and Governance Committee 2024-25 to be updated to include reference to Member Training and Development, before being presented to Full Council.	Head of Audit, Risk and Assurance	Completed and presented to October 2025 Full Council.
	Audit and Governance Committee Self-Assessment: Skills assessment to be rolled out as quickly as possible. That the Council explores the other external professional bodies available, such as the Local Government Association, for the Audit and Governance Committee to assess itself against.	Head of Audit, Risk and Assurance / Director of Finance	Update – meeting with Head of Audit, Risk and Assurance and Democratic Services – December to progress.
	Information Governance and Security Annual Update: Cyber and Al Briefing to be arranged for the Audit and Governance Committee.	Democratic Services Officer/ Director of Digital	Completed: Scheduled for 5 December, 10am via Teams

Work Programme:

- Risk management: It was suggested that the committee consider looking at the potential risk and delay in the transfer of the Council's change of governance.
- Planning Department: Concerns were raised in relation to the ongoing issues with the planning website which had resulted in criticism from residents. It was requested that the committee considered looking into this matter to ensure the governance arrangements and internal controls were in place and working.

Update: All Member
Briefings with Head of
Democratic Services
scheduled for: Thursday 11
Dec 5pm and Friday 12 Dec
12noon (via Microsoft
Teams). Invites sent out to
All Members on 25/11.