

Governance and Ethics Committee Forward Plan July 2019 – April 2020

No.	Ref No	Item	Purpose	Lead Officer	Lead Member	Governance/Audit/Ethics
29 July 2019						
1.	GE3624	West Berkshire Council Financial Statements 2018/19 including external auditor's Opinion.	To provide Members with the final copy of the Council's Financial Statements	Andy Walker	Councillor Jeff Cant Finance	Audit
2.	GE3781	Financial Year 2018/19 Going Concern Assessment	As a result of the significant reduction in funding for local government in recent years and the potential threat this poses to the ongoing viability of one or more councils as a consequence, External Auditors are placing a greater emphasis on local authorities undertaking an assessment of the 'going concern' basis on which they prepare their financial statements. This report summarises the management assessment of the Council continuing to operate as a going concern for the purposes of producing the Statement of Accounts for 2018/19.	Shannon Coleman-Slaughter	Councillor Jeff cant Finance	Audit
3.	GE3625	Internal Audit Annual Assurance Report 2018/19	The Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) require the Audit Manager to make a formal annual report to those charged with governance within the Council.	Julie Gilhespey	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Audit

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10.	C3686	Amendments to the Constitution – Scheme of Delegation	To review and amend sections of the Scheme of Delegation in light of legislative changes and current practice.	Sarah Clarke	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Governance
11.	GE3687	Monitoring Officer's Annual Report to the Governance and Ethics Committee –2019/20 Year End	To provide an update on local and national issues relating to ethical standards and to bring to the attention of the Committee any complaints or other problems within West Berkshire.	Sarah Clarke	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Ethics
12.	GE3688	Internal Audit Plan 2020/21	To outline the proposed internal audit work programme for the next three years	Julie Gilhespy	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Audit
13.	GE3689	External Audit Plan 2020-21	To provide Members with a copy of the External Audit Plan for 2020-21	Julie Gilhespy	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Audit
14.	GE3690	Internal Audit – Interim Report 2019-20	To update the Committee on the outcome of internal audit work.	Julie Gilhespy	Councillor Howard Woollaston Internal Governance	Audit