

Report to:	AUDIT COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Steve Thompson - Director of Resources
Date of Meeting	14 September 2023

EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE (ISA 260) MANAGEMENT RESPONSE 2020/2021

1.0 Purpose of the report:

- 1.1 To consider the management response to the External Auditor's report to those charged with Governance (ISA 260) for 2020/2021.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

- 2.1 To consider the management response to Deloitte's Governance Report for 2020/2021.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 Deloitte's Governance Report for 2020/2021 requires a management response to the recommendations in their report.

3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No

3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? Yes

3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:

None, as the Committee is required to approve the Statement of Accounts.

4.0 Council Priority:

- 4.1 The relevant Council Priority is: The economy - maximising growth and opportunity across Blackpool.

5.0 Background Information

- 5.1 At its meeting on 27 July 2023, the Audit Committee considered the External Auditor's Report to those charged with Governance (ISA 260) for 2020/2021. As part of that report there were a number of recommendations which required a management response. The management response is now available to be considered by the Committee.

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

List of Appendices:

Appendix 5(a) – Management Response

6.0 Financial considerations:

6.1 None

7.0 Legal considerations:

7.1 None

8.0 Risk management considerations:

8.1 None

9.0 Equalities considerations and the impact of this decision for our children and young people:

9.1 None

10.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

10.1 None

11.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

11.1 None

12.0 Background papers:

12.1 None