

REPORT OF AUDIT WALES

SUBJECT:
AUDIT WALES AUDIT PLAN 2022

Summary

To receive the Audit Plan for 2022 from the Audit Wales.

Introduction

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004, the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009, the Local Government Act 1999, and the Code of Audit Practice, the Authority is audited by Audit Wales. The main aim of this process is to:

- examine and certify whether our financial statements are 'true and fair';
- assess whether we have made proper arrangements for securing economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of resources;
- audit and assess whether we have discharged duties and met requirements of the Local Government Measure; and
- undertake studies to enable the Auditor General for Wales to make recommendations for improving economy, efficiency and effectiveness or for improving financial or other management arrangements.

The programme of work for the next year is outlined in the Audit Wales Audit Plan 2022, which is to follow and will be circulated to Members prior to the meeting.. Officers of Audit Wales will attend either meetings of the National Park Authority or the Audit and Corporate Services Review Committee to report on progress.

Financial Considerations

The Authority pays a fee for the Audit work. Over a number of years the Authority along with the other two National Park Authorities have argued that this fee is too high.

Risk Considerations

The work undertaken by the Audit Wales can contribute to managing risk and providing assurance for the work of the Authority.

Compliance

The work undertaken by the Audit Wales as part of this plan is part of our compliance framework.

Human Rights/Equality issues

There are no specific implications.

Biodiversity implications/Sustainability appraisal

There are no specific implications

Welsh Language considerations

There are no specific implications

Conclusion

Members are asked to Note the Audit Plan.

RECOMMENDATION:

Members are asked to Receive and Note the Audit Plan 2022

Background documents

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