Action Tracker 2024/25

Appendix C

Actio	Actions arising from the meeting on 26 th September 2024				
No	Action	Related Item	Responsible Officer(s)	Status/response	
1.	Officers to provide further analysis to explain that large swings in valuations of property within the Housing Revenue Account between 2020/21 and 2022/23.	Draft Statement of Accounts and AGS 2022/23	Chief Accountant/Director of Finance		
2.	Officers to provide further analysis of the significant rise in rent arrears between March 2021 and March 2022.	Draft Statement of Accounts and AGS 2022/23	Chief Accountant/Director of Finance		
3.	Officers to undertake some modelling around the ongoing impact of the cost of living crisis on debt levels and provide an update to members of the Committee.	Draft Statement of Accounts and AGS 2022/23	Chief Accountant/Director of Finance		
4.	Future sets of accounts to be accompanied by short presentation pulling out key points	Draft Statement of Accounts and AGS 2022/23	Chief Accountant/Director of Finance		

Acti	Actions arising from the meeting on 18 th July 2024				
No	Action	Related Item	Responsible Officer(s)	Status/response	
5.	Information regarding total number of audits carried out, and percentage of these that resulted in high priority recs, to be included in next year's report.	Internal Audit Annual Report 2023-24	Head of Internal Audit, Investigations and Risk Management	This information will be included in next year's report.	
6.	Information to be supplied to Members about the number of referrals made to the Housing Investigations Team.	2023/24 Annual Counter Fraud Report	Landlord Services Manager	The Housing Investigations Team (HIT) received 549 referrals in 2023-24. The team check applications to buy a council home or to succeed to a council tenancy to make sure the applicant is eligible. Referrals do not therefore	

				all reflect suspected tenanc checks carried out may unc	
7.	More detail about control enhancements recommended by the AFIT during the course of its investigations to be included in the next report.	2023/24 Annual Counter Fraud Report	Head of Internal Audit, Investigations and Risk Management	This will be included in next	year's report.
8.	Breakdown of directorates in which 34 referrals re allegations of fraud or malpractice by Council officers took place.	2023/24 Annual Counter Fraud Report	Head of Internal Audit, Investigations and Risk Management	Directorate Supporting Communities	1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024 18
				Adults and Health Children and Learning	4 (all Adult)
				Corporate Services Total	12 34
9.	Schedule Camden Living Financial Statements for earlier in the 2025/6 municipal year if possible.	Camden Living Financial Statements 2022/23	Director of Finance	 Having reviewed the audit planning schedule we propose the following timetable for reporting of the audited CL Financial Statements for 2023-24: The financial year for CL ends in runs from April through to March each year. During April to June 2024 the final accounting entries are posted and the accounts prepared with the audit scheduled to commence by September 2024. Upon conclusion of the audit around December 2024, the accounts for 2023-24 are certified and filed with Companies House. Therefore the earliest this can come to the committee for review is the meeting scheduled for 27 February 2025. 	

				This outline timetable will be incorporated into the work plan for 2024-25 and for future years.
10.	Check whether Camden Living's operations fall under the remit of the Housing Scrutiny Committee.	Camden Living Financial Statements 2022/23	Director of Finance	Having checked part 3 of the Constitution which sets out the responsibilities for council committees, it is the opinion of the Director of Finance that oversight of the operations of CL are within the remit of the Housing Scrutiny Committee. The role of the Audit & Corporate Governance Committee centres around assurance on the governance arrangements for our significant partnerships and collaborations and responsibility for considering any issues, should there be any, arising from the annual accounts.
11.	Draft training programme for Committee Members	Review of the Committee's Effectiveness/Work and Training Plan and Action Tracker	Director of Finance/Committee Services Manager	