

**SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**AUDIT & CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**ACTION PROGRESS REPORT**

10<sup>th</sup> July 2024

<b>Minute reference</b>	<b>Agenda item and Action required</b>	<b>Lead Officer</b>	<b>Status / Comment</b>
11	<b>Action Progress Report</b>  Action relating to Minute Reference 6 – Strategic Acquisition Board - information to be circulated to Committee. Details of legal advice (if any) given when SAB was established; what records held by legal regarding advice provided relating to costs of borrowing for strategic acquisitions.	Monitoring Officer	<b>Completed.</b> Information circulated to Committee 20.09.24
12	<b>Backlog Statement of Accounts 2019/2020 to 2022/2023 and Balance Sheet Review Update</b>  Timetable detailing when review of account balances (whether monthly, quarterly etc) and ownership of accounts to be provided to the Committee.	S151 Officer	Update awaited.

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15	<p><b>External Audit – Progress Report and Sector Updates</b></p> <p>Clarification as to why the Assistant Director of Legal and Governance was not one of the officers spoken to as part of meetings held with various officers re VFM arrangements.</p>	External Audit	<p><b>Completed.</b> As part of mobilisation and planning call with the Council, discussions were held between the VFM review team and the former Section 151 officer on the approach to the VFM review and a list of interviewees were agreed as part of these set up discussions. We interviewed the full time substantive Monitoring Officer in post at the time of the review. We will also ensure that the Assistant Director of Legal and Governance has opportunity to review and comment on the draft findings as part of the final clearance of the VFM reporting.</p>
16	<p><b>Audit and Corporate Governance Committee - Annual Report 2023/24</b></p> <p>Group Leaders be emailed requesting that consideration be given to appointing members to serve on the Committee for a minimum of two years to ensure continuity and stability on the committee.</p>	Democratic Services	<p><b>Completed.</b> Email sent 12.07.24.</p>