Bath & North East Somerset Council			
MEETING:	Corporate Audit Committee		
MEETING DATE:	28 th April 2022	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER	
TITLE:	Informing the Audit Risk Assessment	EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN REFERENCE:	
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Appendix 1 – Informing the Audit Risk Assessment – Council & Avon Pension Fund			

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 The Council is required to update the Committee on its responses to the External Auditor's risk assessment in relation to its planned work.

2 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 The Corporate Audit Committee is asked to -

Note the Council's response to the External Auditors 'informing the audit risk assessment' questions (App 1)

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 There are no new financial implications from this report directly.

4 THE REPORT

- 4.1 As part of the External Auditor's work the Council is required to respond to a series of questions entitled 'informing the audit risk assessment' and report these to the Audit Committee.
- 4.2 The questions relate to the Council and Avon Pension Fund and cover the following key areas for the year 2021/22
 - General Enquiries of Management
 - Fraud,
 - Laws and Regulations,

- Related Parties,
- · Going Concern, and
- Accounting Estimates.
- 4.3 Council Officers and the External Auditor will provide a verbal update on this process at the formal meeting.

5 RISK MANAGEMENT

5.1 A proportionate risk assessment has been carried out in relation to the Councils risk management guidance. There are no new significant risks or issues to report to the Committee as a result of this report.

6. EQUALITIES

6.1 A proportionate equalities impact assessment has been carried out using corporate guidelines, no significant issues to report.

7 CONSULTATION

7.1 Consultation has been carried out with the Section 151 Finance Officer.

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Background papers		
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