



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Council name	COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL
Name and date of Committee	AUDIT COMMITTEE - 29 OCTOBER 2020
Report Number	AGENDA ITEM 8
Subject	EXTERNAL AUDITOR UPDATE REPORT
Wards affected	ALL
Accountable member	N/A
Accountable officer	Jenny Poole, Chief Finance Officer Tel: 01285 623313 Email: jenny.poole@cotswold.gov.uk
Summary/Purpose	To receive an update report from Grant Thornton, the Council's external auditor.
Annexes	Annex A – Audit Progress Report and Sector Update
Recommendation/s	<i>To consider the Grant Thornton Audit Progress and Sector Update Report.</i>
Corporate priorities	Ensure that all services delivered by the council are delivered to the highest standard.
Key Decision	NO
Exempt	NO
Consultees/ Consultation	Chief Finance Officer, Monitoring Officer, Interim Chief Executive.

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1. Attached at Annex A is the Council's external auditor, Grant Thornton LLP, Audit Progress Report and Sector Update.

2. MAIN POINTS

- 2.1. The Committee are asked to consider the report. Officers from Grant Thornton will be available at the meeting to present the report and to answer any questions.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. There are no financial implications from this report.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1. None directly from this report.

5. RISK ASSESSMENT

- 5.1. The Chief Finance Officer has requested that advanced notice is provided of any work which is likely to incur additional audit fees.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1. None