



COTSWOLD
District Council

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORK PLAN DECEMBER 2025 – APRIL 2026

Audit and Governance Committee

The Audit and Governance Committee responsible for monitoring the adequacy and effectiveness of the Council's governance arrangements. This includes overseeing the audit function, annual accounts and the work of the internal auditors, promoting and maintaining high standards of conduct of members and, through its Standards Hearings Sub-Committee, determining complaints that an elected member of the district council or a town or parish council within the district are has breached the code of conduct.

The Committee has the following powers under the Council's Constitution:

- The Committee has the right to require the attendance of any Council officers and/or members in order to respond directly to any issue under consideration;
- To review any issues referred to it by the Chief Executive, other statutory officer or any Council body; and
- The power to call expert witnesses from outside the Council to give advice on matters under review or discussion.

This work programme sets out the expected business for meetings of the Audit and Governance Committee.

Item	Meeting Date	Lead Officer
4 December 2025		
Treasury Management Mid-Year Report	4 Dec 2025	David Stanley, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer David.Stanley@cotswold.gov.uk
External Auditors Annual report 2025/26	4 Dec 2025	Michelle Burge, Chief Accountant and Deputy Section 151 Officer michelle.burge@cotswold.gov.uk
Corporate Risk Register	4 Dec 2025	Cheryl Sloan, Assistant Director of Workforce, Strategy and Transformation cheryl.sloan@publicagroup.uk
27 January 2026		
Risk Management Policy	27 Jan 2026	Cheryl Sloan, Assistant Director of Workforce, Strategy and Transformation cheryl.sloan@publicagroup.uk
CyberSecurity Update	27 Jan 2026	John Chorlton, Chief Technology Officer john.chorlton@publicagroup.uk
Annual Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Non-Treasury Investment Strategy 2026/27	27 Jan 2026	Michelle Burge, Chief Accountant and Deputy Section 151 Officer michelle.burge@cotswold.gov.uk
Statement of Accounts and Audit Opinion	27 Jan 2026	David Stanley, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Finance Officer David.Stanley@cotswold.gov.uk
Internal Audit Progress Report	27 Jan 2026	Lucy Cater, Assistant Director (SWAP) lucy.cater@publicagroup.uk

Annual Capital Strategy 2026/27

27 Jan 2026

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9 April 2026 – No items currently scheduled