



Buckinghamshire & Milton Keynes Fire Authority

Meeting and date: Overview and Audit Committee, 21 July 2021

Report title: Internal Audit Report - Annual Audit Report 2020/21

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Action: Noting.

Recommendations: It is recommended that Members review and note the contents of the Annual Audit Report.

Executive summary: To present the Annual Audit Report to the Overview and Audit Committee. In line with best practice, an annual report on the internal control environment is presented to those charged with governance.

The Chief Internal Auditor's opinion is that the Fire Authority's system of internal control and risk management facilitates the effective exercise of the Authority's functions. This provides **Reasonable** assurance regarding the effective efficient and economic exercise of the Authority's functions. This opinion is reflected in the Annual Governance Statement.

Financial implications: The audit work was contained within the 2020/21 budget.

Risk management: There are no risk implications arising from this report.

Legal implications: There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Privacy and security implications: There are no privacy and security implications arising from this report.

Duty to collaborate: Not applicable.

Health and safety implications: There are no health and safety implications arising from this report.

Environmental implications: There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

Equality, diversity, and inclusion implications: There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

Consultation and communication: Not applicable.

Background papers:

Appendix	Title	Protective Marking
1	Annual Audit Report	Not applicable