

<b>Report title</b>	<b>BDO Update</b>
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<b>Department</b>	BDO
<b>Exempt?</b>	No

**Purpose of report:**

- **For information**

**Synopsis of report:**

**To update the Committee on matters relating to external audit from BDO**

**1. Context and background of report**

- 1.1 Members will recall that BDO were asked to provide the Committee with an update on progress with completion of the outstanding audits for 2019/20 through to 2022/23.

**2. Report and, where applicable, options considered and recommended**

- 2.1 Attached at Appendix A is BDO's update report. Two other documents have been included, relating to the backstop dates and recovery period from the Financial Reporting Council. Also attached is a letter from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government that was sent to all local authority Chief Executives in September 2024.
- 2.2 Officers from BDO will be attending the meeting to answer any questions that the Committee may have.