

Report of external audit to the meeting of Governance & Audit to be held on 21 March 2024

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Subject:

City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council Audit Completion Report for the year ending 31 March 2023

Summary statement:

The report summarises the findings of the audit of the Council's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY:

Equality assessments and Equality objectives – There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Corporate Services

1. SUMMARY

The Audit Completion Report (Appendix A) sets out the audit findings of the financial statements for 2022-23 and forms the basis for discussion at the Governance and Aduit Committee meeting on 21 March 2024. Based on the conversations with Mazars and subject to completion of the outstanding audit areas, we anticipate receiving an unqualified audit opinion on the financial statements.

2. BACKGROUND

Not Applicable

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

None

4. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

Not Applicable

5. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

Not applicable

6. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There are no specific legal issues arising from this report.

7. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

7.1 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific sustainability implications arising from this report.

7.2 TACKLING THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY IMPLICATIONS

This section seeks to address how the proposal tackles the Climate Emergency and reduces carbon emissions.

7.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific community safety implications arising from this report.

7.4 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no specific issues arising from this report.

7.5 TRADE UNION

Not applicable

7.6 WARD IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific issues arising from this report.

7.7 AREA COMMITTEE LOCALITY PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

7.8 IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Not applicable

7.9 ISSUES ARISING FROM PRIVACY IMPACT ASSESMENT

Not applicable

8. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

9. OPTIONS

Not applicable

10. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Members of the Committee note the report and approve.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix A: CBMDC - Audit Completion Report for the year ending 31 March 2023

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None