

Report to: Audit and Governance Committee



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Strata Services Solutions - Internal Audit Report Annual Opinion

Report:

This Committee receives audit assurance through the independent work and reports from SWAP, however the internal audit of the Councils ICT provision (Strata Services Solutions) is audited by the Devon Audit Partnership (DAP).

For the Committee to gain assurance on the system of controls and governance in place within this key area of service delivery it is considered good practice for the annual assurance report produced by DAP to be presented to this Committee. The Audit Opinion for 2023/24 was Reasonable Assurance and the full report is attached.

An Auditor from DAP will be present at the meeting to present the report and to answer any questions.

Is the proposed decision in accordance with:

Budget Yes No

Policy Framework Yes No

Recommendation:

For the Committee to consider and note the annual audit opinion for Strata Services Solutions Ltd

Reason for recommendation:

To ensure members are informed and satisfied with the governance arrangements of the Council's ICT provision.

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Portfolio(s) (check which apply):

- Climate Action and Emergency Response
- Coast, Country and Environment
- Council and Corporate Co-ordination
- Communications and Democracy
- Economy
- Finance and Assets

- Strategic Planning
- Sustainable Homes and Communities
- Culture, Leisure, Sport and Tourism

Equalities impact Low Impact

Climate change Low Impact

Risk: Low Risk;

Links to background information

Link to [Council Plan](#)

Priorities (check which apply)

- Better homes and communities for all
- A greener East Devon
- A resilient economy

Financial implications:

No direct financial implications

Legal implications:

No direct legal implications