

Audit and Scrutiny Committee

18 July 2023

Head of Service:	Chris Anderson, Head of IT
Wards affected:	(All Wards);
Urgent Decision? (yes/no)	No
If yes, reason urgent decision required:	
Appendices (attached):	Appendix 1 – IT Strategy Appendix 2 – Roadmap 2023 Appendix 3 – Roadmap 2023-24

Summary

This report provides the interim IT Strategy agreed by Strategy & Resources Committee on 28 March 2023.

Recommendation (s)

The Committee is asked to:

- (1) **Note and comment on the contents of the IT Strategy.**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 To provide members of the Audit and Scrutiny Committee with oversight of the work undertaken to date to develop a council IT Strategy.

2 Background

- 2.1 A new Head of Information Technology was appointed in January 2023 and tasked with reviewing and updating the council's IT Strategy.
- 2.2 Initial work resulted in an interim IT Strategy being presented to and agreed by Strategy & Resources Committee (28 March 2023) with a more detailed and costed IT Strategy to be presented to the same committee in September 2023.
- 2.3 As requested, the IT Strategy is presented to the Audit & Scrutiny Committee for oversight and comment.

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3 Risk Assessment

- 3.1 Risk assessment and implications are included within the body of the attached report and associated appendices.

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 Financial implications are included within the body of the attached report and associated appendices.
- 4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None arising from the contents of this report.

5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 Legal implications are included within the body of the attached report and associated appendices.
- 5.2 **Monitoring Officer's comments:** None arising from the contents of this report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

- 6.1 Linkage to relevant Council policies, plans and partnerships are included within the body of the attached report and associated appendices.

7 Background papers

- 7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

[IT Strategy – Main Report – Appendix 1](#)

[IT Strategy – Appendix 2](#)

[IT Strategy – Appendix 3](#)