

Governance and Audit Committee Action Tracker

G&A Reference Number	Meeting Date	Minute No.	Agenda Item/Subject	Action	Responsible Officer/Area	Status
GA029	3 July 2025	319.3	Treasury Update Report	In answer to a Member's question, Mr Betts confirmed that he would be content to bring to Committee a review of the strategy for Money Market Funds and Investment Funds.	Corporate Director Finance	In progress: this has been added to the Work Programme as a future item and will be considered as part of the agenda setting process. It is expected that a summary of the actions will be taken to the November 2026 Committee meeting. A brief summary of the plan is to be provided to the Committee in July.
GA032	24 September 2025	327.5	Verbal Update on Committee Business	It was agreed that arrangements for checking the value of matters covered by earmarked reserves would be	Corporate Director Finance/Ruth Emberly	This was covered by the Budget papers. However, it is suggested that further detail and discussion on this

				included in the Work Programme so the item could feature in future committee meetings		could be covered by this year's annual statement of accounts training.
GA033	24 September 2025	327.6	Verbal Update on Committee Business	In relation to a question regarding peppercorn rents, contact would be made with the relevant Corporate Director and the Deputy Leader to ensure all relevant questions were covered. It was commented that a list of properties that held a peppercorn rent would be helpful to Members and Mr Watts confirmed that he would reflect with the relevant senior officers to examine how best to present this information to the committee.	Ben Watts	This is currently in progress.
GA035	24 September 2025	330.3	External Auditor's Progress Report	Members unanimously agreed to ask the relevant officers to	Katy Reynolds	In progress: This information was provided in part to

				review and answer the model questions set out in the Grant Thornton report (pages 102 onwards) and if answers were not available, officers would provide these at the next Committee meeting		the Committee ahead of the meeting on 30 October 2025. The remaining answers will be provided to the Committee when available.
GA036	24 September 2025	331.6.i	2024/2025 Kent County Council Auditor's Annual Report	Members unanimously agreed that a midterm review covering the effectiveness of the committee would be helpful. Mr Watts confirmed that one would be added to the Governance Recommendations Improvement Plan (GRIP) and presented to the Committee in January 2026.	Ben Watts/Katy Reynolds	In progress: As part of the agenda setting process, it was agreed that this item be added to the Work Programme for the July 2026 meeting, to ensure that a full and thorough review could take place.
GA041	26 November 2025	352.2.m	Customer Feedback Annual Report	A Member commented that the culture of continuous improvement and making a difference was yet to be embedded and therefore it would	Pascale Blackburn-Clarke	In progress: An update on the performance of complaints will be brought to the Committee in May

				assist the Committee if efforts of continuous improvement could be shared with Members for review and comment. Mr Watts commented that a report containing the requested information could be brought to the Committee for future review and discussion.		2026. This will include a section on continuous improvement.
GA042	26 November 2025	353.2.b	Counter Fraud Report	Mr Watts confirmed that a Cyber Security update was being prepared for the Policy and Resources Cabinet Committee for March 2026. A discussion would be held in see if a single core briefing could be provided.	Ben Watts	Completed: Members discussed the potential to attend the item at the January meeting of the Committee.
GA043	28 January 2026	358.2.a	Verbal Update on Committee Business	A discussion would take place with the Chair to explore how the Work Programme could be incorporated into future agendas.	Ruth Emberly	In progress: As part of a Work Programme review, relevant report authors are being contacted to ensure that the timescales

						for regular reports are accurately captured. Once this has been completed, further discussions will take place with the Chair.
GA046	28 January 2026	360.2.h	Corporate Risk Register	It was proposed and seconded that a summary project tracker for the Oracle Cloud Programme, covering time, cost, and quality, be developed and brought to the Committee, and that the detailed format and reporting expectations for this tracker be agreed at the next agenda-setting meeting. The Committee voted accordingly and the motion was passed.	Ruth Emberly/Katy Reynolds	<p>In progress: initial enquiries have been made to establish how this action may be delivered. This includes an Oracle Cloud Programme update to the May 2026 meeting of the Governance and Audit Committee.</p> <p>It was clarified at the March Governance and Audit Committee that this request referred to all major projects. The relevant teams will be contacted.</p>
GA047	28 January 2026	360.2.i	Corporate Risk Register	In relation to Climate Change Risk CRR052,	Mark Scrivener	Completed: Concern regarding risk rating

				Mr Scrivener agreed to raise this with the responsible risk owner for further consideration.		and adequate coverage of water shortages discussed at GET Cabinet Committee on 10th March. Mr Smyth agreed to consider Mr Hood's points when next reviewing the risk.
GA049	25 March 2026	373.2.d.	Schools Audit Annual Report	It was confirmed that the intention was to bring the next report to the September meeting, which would address the timing issue. He explained that Schools Financial Services had the specialist expertise required to audit school budgets and compliance with the financial scheme.	David Adams	This is been added to the Work Programme for November.
GA050	25 March 2026	374.1.f	Counter Fraud Update (Quarter 3)	It was proposed that KCC's senior management engage with districts showing high enforcement	Amanda Beer	

				activity and encourage wider collaboration across all districts to improve consistency. Chief Executive Amanda Beer confirmed she would raise this matter at the next Corporate Directors' meeting.		
GA051	25 March 2026	375.4.a	Governance Arrangements for Wholly Owned Companies	Annual reporting on company performance would be incorporated into the Governance and Audit Committee cycle, aligned with the AGS.	Ben Watts	In progress: The "Annual Report on Wholly Owned Companies" and the "Company Governance Review" were added to the May 2026 agenda at the agenda setting meeting.