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Cyber Security Update

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Wards Affected	N/A
Ward Councillor(s) consulted	N/A
Relevant Council Priority	All
Key Decision / Non-Key Decision	
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1. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to RESOLVE that:

The update on Cyber Security described in this report be noted.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 This report is the first of an ongoing update to the Audit, Governance and Standards Committee covering the current position with regards to Cyber Security within the Council. Our organisation is committed to maintaining a robust cyber security posture that safeguards data, systems, and services against evolving cyber threats. The position statement outlined in Appendix 1 details our current achievements, ongoing initiatives, and future improvements to ensure cyber security resilience and compliance.

3. OPERATIONAL ISSUES

3.1 There are no operational implications contained within this report.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial implications within this report.

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5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no legal implications contained within this report.

6. OTHER - IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Reorganisation

6.1 There are no implications arising from this report in respect of Local Government Reorganisation or Devolution.

Relevant Council Priority

6.2 Cyber Security underpins the operational delivery of all service areas and therefore the ability of the council to deliver on its priorities.

Climate Change Implications

6.3 There are no climate change implications contained within this report.

Equalities and Diversity Implications

6.4 There are no equalities and diversity implications contained within this report.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

7.1 Cyber Security remains a high-risk area for all government and non-government bodies. Risks are mitigated by the ICT department on a daily basis as demonstrated by the information provided with Appendix 1.

8. APPENDICES and BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendix 1 – Exempt Appendix

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9. REPORT SIGN OFF

Department	Name and Job Title	Date
Portfolio Holder	Councillor Jane Spilsbury	Sent on 08/01/2026 and awaiting a response.
Lead Director / Assistant Director	Hannah Corredor Assistant Director Transformation and Corporate Services	08/01/2026
Financial Services	Debra Goodall Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services	09/01/2026 .
Legal Services	Sent on 08/01/2026 and awaiting a response. There are no Legal implications within the report.	Sent on 08/01/2026 and awaiting a response.
Policy Team (if equalities implications apply)	There are no equalities implications within the report.	N/A
Climate Change Team (if climate change implications apply)	There are no Climate Change implications within the report.	N/A