

SUBJECT: INTERNAL AUDIT SECTION

Compliance with Global Internal Audit

Standards - Update

DIRECTORATE: Resources

MEETING: Governance & Audit Committee

DATE: October 2025
DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: All

1. PURPOSE

To inform members of the Council's Governance & Audit Committee of the outcome of the updated self-assessment completed of the Internal Audit teams compliance with the Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS) which came into force April 2025.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Governance & Audit Committee notes the self-assessment and the action plan to ensure full compliance. That the Governance & Audit Committee receive an update report in 6 months.

3. KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 The Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS) came into force from January 2025 with an agreement that for the UK Public Sector implementation would be from April 2025. These replace the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) which have been the Standards followed by Internal Audit teams across the UK Public Sector since April 2013.
- 3.2 The Internal Audit team previously had an External Quality Assessment (EQA) Completed of it's compliance with the PSIAS in March 2024. The outcome was that the team was 'generally compliant' with the standards which was the top rating. An EQA is required under both sets of standards to be completed on a 5 yearly basis. Therefore, the next Assessment is due by March 2029.
- 3.3 The GIAS brought in a number of new and replacement standards which were not previously within the PSIAS. There is also a separate Application Note: Global Internal Audit Standards in the UK Public Sector and a Code of Practice for the Governance of Internal Audit in UK Local Government which the Council is required to comply with.

4. REASONS

- 4.1 The Global Institute of Internal Auditors have provided a standardised selfassessment toolkit for Chief Audit Executives (Heads of Internal Audit) to use to review their compliance. The UK Public Sector application notes have been added into this toolkit by the Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors (UK & Ireland) to provide a document fit for the UK public sector.
- 4.2 This toolkit has been used to review Monmouthshire County Councils compliance with the applicable standards. A self-assessment originally took place in March 2025 prior to the standards becoming mandatory and has been updated during September 2025 as a mid-year review. The outcome of this review is included as Appendix 1 to
- 4.3 One of the main requirements under the GIAS was for the Council to review and formally agree the Internal Audit Mandate and Strategy, which were new requirements, along with updating the Internal Audit Charter. These were presented to and approved by the Governance & Audit Committee in June 2025. As part of this review, the Internal Audit team also developed their 'Internal Audit Methodologies' which again were a new requirement to dovetail with the updated Charter.
- 4.4 An updated action plan has been included at Appendix 4 to highlight those areas still determined as needing required action. An action is already well underway to address the areas where full compliance has not yet been achieved such as arranging Route Cause Analysis and Professional Scepticism training for all staff. This training is being arranged by Monmouthshire on behalf of a number of local Internal Audit teams to provide greater value for money. The other actions will be addressed during the remainder of the financial year.

5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

None.

6. **CONSULTEES**

Deputy Chief Executive & Strategic Director (Resources) – S151 Officer

7. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS) GIAS Self Assessment September 2025 Internal Audit Charter Internal Audit Mandate & Strategy Internal Audit Methodologies

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Global Internal Audit Standards Appendix 1

Name of the organisation:						
	Monmouthshire County Council					
Name of the internal audit						
function:	Internal Audit					
Date of the internal audit		Date of the previous internal				
evaluation:	26/09/2025	audit evaluation:	20/03/25			
Title of the designated	Chief Internal	Name of the designated Chief				
Chief Audit Executive:	Auditor	Audit Executive:	Jan Furtek			
Name of the Board /		Reporting line of the Chief				
Committee that is		Audit Executive:				
responsible for audit						
matters and to whom the						
Chief Audit Executive	Governance & Audit		Deputy Chief Executive & Strategic Director			
reports:	Committee		(Resources) S151 Officer			
List the roles which make						
up 'Senior Management' for						
the organisation	Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive & Strategic Director (Resources) S151 Officer, Strategic Director – Learning, Skills					
	and Economy, Strategic Director – Social Care and Safeguarding, Chief Officer – People, Performance and Partnerships, Chief Officer – Law and Governance, Chief Officer – Infrastructure, Chief Officer - Place & Community Wellbeing					
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Reviewer(s):						
	Jan Furtek, Chief Internal Auditor					

Global Internal Audit Standards	Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings
Domain I: Purpose of Internal Auditing	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion based on relevant Domains/Principles/Standards assessments below and other assessment activities, such as stakeholder feedback.
Domain II: Ethics and Professionalism	Generally achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Domain II based on the findings from the Principles 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 below

	Internal a	sment of Principle 1: auditors demonstrate rity in their work and behaviour.	Generally achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 1, using the results from Standards 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 below.
Principle 1: Demonstrates Integrity	Standard 1.1	Honesty and Professional Courage	Generally achieved	Not required	
3 7	Standard 1.2	Organization's Ethical Expectations	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 1.3	Legal and Ethical Behaviour	Fully achieved	Not required	
Principle 2:	Assessment of Principle 2: Internal auditors maintain an impartial and unbiased attitude when performing internal audit services and making decisions.		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 2, using the results from Standards 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 below.
Maintain Objectivity	Standard 2.1	Individual Objectivity	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 2.2	Safeguarding Objectivity	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 2.3	Disclosing Impairments to Objectivity	Fully achieved	Not required	
Principle 3: Demonstrate	ate		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 3, using the results from Standards 3.1 and 3.2 below.
Competency	Standard 3.1	Competency	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 3.2	Continuing Professional	Fully achieved	Not required	

		Development			
Global	Global Internal Audit Standards		Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings
Drive in le 4	Assessment of Principle 4: Internal auditors apply due professional care in planning and performing internal audit services.		Generally achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 4, using the results from Standards 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 below.
Principle 4: Exercise Due Professional Care	Standard 4.1	Conformance with the Global Internal Audit Standards	Fully achieved	Not required	Lack of IA Methodologies which are a new requirement under GIAS
	Standard 4.2	Due Professional Care	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 4.3	Professional Scepticism	Generally achieved	Not required	
Principle 5:			Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 5, using the results from Standards 5.1 and 5.2 below.
Maintain Confidentiality	Standard 5.1	Use of Information	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 5.2	Protection of Information	Fully achieved	Not required	

Global Internal Audit Standards	Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings
Domain III: Governing the Internal Audit Function	Fully achieved	•	This is an overall opinion for Domain II based on the findings from the Principles 6, 7 and 8 below

Principle 6:	Th approv	sment of Principle 6: ne board establishes, es, and supports the e of the internal audit function.	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion for Principle 6, using the results from Standards 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3 below.
Authorised by the Board	Standard 6.1	Internal Audit Mandate	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 6.2	Internal Audit Charter	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 6.3	Board and Senior Management Support	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
Principle 7: Positioned	Assessment of Principle 7: The board establishes and protects the internal audit function's independence and qualifications.		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 7, using the results from Standards 7.1 and 7.2 below.
Independently	Standard 7.1	Organizational Independence	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 7.2	Chief Audit Executive Qualifications	Fully achieved	Not required	
Principle 8:	The board of audit fu	sment of Principle 8: oversees the internal unction to ensure the ction's effectiveness	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion for Principle 8, using the results from Standards 8.1, 8.2, 8.3 and 8.4 below.
Overseen by the Board	Standard 8.1	Board Interaction	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 8.2	Resources	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standards 8.3	Quality	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	

Standard 8.4 External Quality Assessment Fully achieved Not required

Global Internal Audit Standards			Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings
Domain IV: Man	naging the Int	ernal Audit Function	Generally achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion for Domain IV based on the findings from Principles 9, 10, 11 and 12 below
	Assessment of Principle 9: The chief audit executive plans strategically to position the internal audit function to fulfil its mandate and achieve long- term success.		Generally achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion for Principle 9, using the results from Standards 9.1, 9.2, 9.3 and 9.4 below.
Principle 9: Plan Strategically	Standard 9.1	Understanding Governance, Risk Management and Control Processes	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 9.2	Internal Audit Strategy	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 9.3	Methodologies	Generally achieved	Not required	
	Standard 9.4	Internal Audit Plan	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 9.5	Coordination and Resilience	Fully achieved	Not required	

Principle 10:	Assessment of Principle 10: The chief audit executive manages resources to implement the internal audit function's strategy and achieve its plan and mandate.		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 10, using the results from Standards 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3 below.
Manage Resources	Standard 10.1	Financial Resource Management	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 10.2	Human Resource Management	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 10.3	Technological Resources	Fully achieved	Not required	
Global	Global Internal Audit Standards		Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings
	Assessment of Principle 11: The chief audit executive guides the internal audit function to communicate effectively with its stakeholders.		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 11, using the results from Standards 11.1, 11.2, 11.3, 11.4 and 11.5 below.
Principle 11: Communicate	Standard 11.1	Building Relationships and Communicating with Stakeholders	Fully achieved	Not required	
Effectively	Standard 11.2	Effective Communication	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 11.3	Communicating Results	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 11.4	Error and Omissions	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 11.5	Communicating the Acceptance of Risks	Fully achieved	Not required	

Principle 12:	The ch respon audit fur with the Stand	sment of Principle 12: nief audit executive is nsible for the internal nction's conformance Global Internal Audit dards and continuous mance improvement.	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	This is an overall opinion for Principle 12, using the results from Standards 12.1, 12.2 and 12.3 below.
Enhance Quality	Standard 12.1	Internal Quality Assessment	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 12.2	Performance Measurement	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	
	Standard 12.3	Oversee and Improve Engagement Performance	Fully achieved	Not required	

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Domain V: Performing Internal Audit Services		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Domain V based on the findings from the Principles 13, 14 and 15 below	
Principle 13: Plan Engagements	Assessment of Principle 13: Internal auditors plan each engagement using a systematic, disciplined approach.		Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 13, using the results from Standards 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.4, 13.5 and 13.6 below.
Effectively	Standard 13.1	Engagement Communication	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 13.2	Engagement Risk Assessment	Fully achieved	Not required	

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	Standard 13.3	Engagement Objectives and Scope	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 13.4	Evaluation Criteria	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 13.5	Engagement Resources	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 13.6	Work Program	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Internal au engagem	ment of Principle 14: ditors implement the nent work program to ieve the engagement objectives.	Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 14, using the results from Standards 14.1, 14.2, 14.3, 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6 below.
	Standard 14.1	Gathering Information for Analyses and Evaluation	Fully achieved	Not required	
Principle 14: Conduct Engagement Work	Standard 14.2	Analyses and Potential Engagement Findings	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 14.3	Evaluation of Findings	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 14.4	Recommendations and Action Plans	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 14.5	Engagement Conclusions	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 14.6	Engagement Documentation	Fully achieved	Not required	
Global	Global Internal Audit Standards		Conformance Assessment	Performance Assessment	Notes, including reference to actions to address significant findings

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Principle 15: Communicate Engagement Results and	Internal a the enga- appropriate manageme t	sment of Principle 15: uditors communicate gement results to the e parties and monitor ent's progress toward he implementation of mendations or action plans.	Fully achieved	Not required	This is an overall opinion for Principle 15, using the results from Standards 15.1 and 15.2 below.
Monitor Action Plans	Standard 15.1	Final Engagement Communication	Fully achieved	Not required	
	Standard 15.2	Confirming the Implementation of Recommendations or Action Plans	Fully achieved	Not required	

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Internal Audit Code of Practice

Outcome	Principle	Topic	Assessment #1	Assessment	Total	Notes, including reference to actions
				#2	Assessment	
			Assessment of	Outcome A:	Fully achieved	
Outcome A: Purpose and	Principle 1:	Primary purpose of internal audit	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Mandate of Internal Audit	Principle 2:	Tone at the top	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 3:	Reporting on application of the Code	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	

	Principle 4:	Annual report and accounts	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
			Assessment of	f Outcome B:	Fully achieved	
Outcome B.	Principle 5:	Internal audit's scope should be unrestricted	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Outcome B: Scope and priorities of internal audit.	Principle 6:	Risk assessment and prioritisation of internal audit work	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 7:	Internal audit coverage and planning	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Principle split into two and therefore two assessments need to be combined
	Principle 8:	Scope of internal audit	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Principle split into two and therefore two assessments need to be combined
			Assessment of	f Outcome C:	Fully achieved	
Outcome C:	Principle 9:	Internal audit reporting	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Reporting Results	Principle 10:	Internal audit reporting content	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Results	Principle 11:	Internal audit overall opinion of governance, risk management and control framework	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
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Outcome D: Interaction with risk			Assessment of	f Outcome D:	Fully achieved	
management, compliance,	Principle 12:	CAE other responsibilities	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
finance and control	Principle 13:	Reliance on other assurance providers	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	

functions.	Principle 14:	Coordination with other assurance providers	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
			Assessment o	f Outcome E:	Fully achieved	
	Principle 15:	Position of CAE in the organisation structure	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 16:	Right to attend and observe executive meetings	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 17:	Unrestricted and time access to information, personnel and physical locations	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Outcome E:	Principle 18:	CAE reports to Chair of the audit committee	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
Independence and authority of internal	Principle 19:	Chair of audit committee appoints and removes CAE	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
audit.	Principle 20:	Code applies to outsource provision	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
	Principle 21:	Chair of audit committee sets the CAE's objectives and performing annual appraisal	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
	Principle 22:	Chair of audit committee recommends CAE remuneration to remuneration committee.	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
	Principle 23:	Divisional heads of internal audit reporting lines	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	

	Principle 24:	CAE administrative reporting line	Not applicable	N/A	Not applicable	
			Assessment o	f Outcome F:	Fully achieved	
	Principle 25:	CAE responsibility for IAF skills, experience and knowledge	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Outcome F: Resources	Principle 26:	CAE reporting of adequacy of IAF skills and budget to Audit Committee	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 27:	IAF diversity of skills and experience mix.	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 28:	CAE responsibility for tools and technology	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 29:	Audit committee approval of internal audit budget	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
			Assessment of	f Outcome G:	Fully achieved	
Outcome G: Quality Assurance and Improvement	Principle 30:	Audit committee approval and evaluation of internal audit's performance objectives.	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Programme (QAIP)	Principle 31:	Internal audit policies, procedures, methodology and performance and effectiveness measures.	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Fully achieved	Principle split into two and therefore two assessments need to be combined

	Principle 32:	Internal audit QAIP, incl self assessment against the Code and Global Standards	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 33:	QAIP for outsourced and cosourced internal audit work	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
	Principle 34:	External Quality Assessment	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Outcome H: Relationship			Assessment of	l f Outcome H:	Fully achieved	
with regulators and external	Principle 35:	Relationship with regulators	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
audit.	Principle 36:	Relationship with external audit	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	
Outcome I:			Assessment o	of Outcome I:	Fully achieved	
Wider Considerations	Principle 37:	Chartered IIA commission independent review of the Code every 5 years	Fully achieved	N/A	Fully achieved	

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UK Public Sector Application Note

Application Note Topic	Assessment	Notes	GIAS Standard
Ethics and standards in public life	Fully achieved		1.2 - Organisation's ethical expectations
Handling information	Fully achieved		2.5 - Protection of information
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Value for Money	Fully achieved	9.1 - Understanding Governance, risk management and control processes
Value for money	Fully achieved	13.4 - Evaluation criteria
The role of regulators	Fully achieved	9.5 - Coordination and reliance
Resources	Fully achieved	6.3 - Board and senior management support
Resources	Fully achieved	8.2 - Resources
Resources	Fully achieved	10.1 - Financial resource management
Resources	Fully achieved	10.2 - Human resources management
Resources	Fully achieved	10.3 - Technological resources
Overall conclusion and annual reporting	Fully achieved	11.3 - Communicating results
Overall conclusion and annual reporting	Fully achieved	12.1 - Internal quality assessment
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Chief audit executive qualifications	Fully achieved	7.2 - Chief audit executive qualifications
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Selecting independent assessors	Fully achieved			8.4 - External Quality Assessment
Determining the essential c governance	conditions in relation to		Fully achieved	Domain III - Governing Internal Audit
comment is in terms of how consider this across all Prin	to address areas of challe ciples in Domain III. There	enge in a generic se fore the results of t	Conditions for both the board (audit committeense, and not specifically to each essential conne Standards from Domain III have not been cwith notes to support the assessment.	dition, the assessor will need to
Application Note		Assessment	Notes	GIAS Standard
GIAS Domain III 'Governing Function' explains that appropriate appropriate and are essential to fulfil the Pu The individual standards with baseline 'essential condition satisfied in order to achieve allows that in some cases it determine alternatives to the that achieve the same resur	ropriate governance and senior management rpose of Internal Audit. thin Domain III include ns' which need to be conformance. The GIAS t may be appropriate to e essential conditions	Fully achieved		
The GIAS section Applying Standards in the Public Sec exhaustive material explain governance and organisation require internal audit function application of some standarmany UK public sector bod will be necessary to determ Domain III essential conditionsame results. These must be board/audit committee and, explained in the Audit Char	ctor includes non- ing that public sector conal structures may cons to adjust the rds. This is the case in ies and in these cases it ine alternatives to the cons that achieve the coe agreed with the if permanent, must be	Fully achieved		

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The barriers to achievement of the baseline essential conditions vary in extent and effect across different parts of the UK public sector. The RIASS for individual sectors1 may choose to issue specific material for their sector, which internal auditors and quality assessors in the relevant sector must comply with. For this reason no material on alternative conditions is provided in this Application Note.

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Action Plan Appendix 4

Domain No.	Principle No.	Standard No.	Action Title	Action Description (Why, What, How)	Location (Where, Software, etc.)	Deadline (When - specific Date)	Action Owner (who - name)	Action Team members (who - name)	Progress
II	1	Standard 1.1 Honesty and Professional Courage	Training Plan	Develop a training plan and programme for the IA team to include coverage of mandatory 40 hours CPD (including minimum of 2 hours Ethics training). Devise a professional training plan for those staff not yet qualified (CIA) — budget dependant.	N/A	31/12/25	Chief Internal Auditor	Internal Audit Team	Yet to commence
II	4	Standard 4.3 Professional Scepticism	Professional Scepticism	Professional Scepticism training to be arranged for the whole Internal Audit team.	External Training	15/10/2025	Chief Internal Auditor	Internal Audit Team	CIA co-ordinating professional training in scepticism and route cause analysis on behalf of 6 Welsh LA's. Due to be held on the 15th October 2025.
IV	9	Standard 9.3 Methodologies	Methodologies	It is required that the IA Methodologies are evaluated for their effectiveness. Given these were only introduced in April 25 for the new standards this review has not yet taken place and will be due at the end of the Financial Year.	N/A	31/03/2026	Chief Internal Auditor	Chief Internal Auditor	Yet to commence