



NOAC Review of Local Authority and Regional Assembly Corporate Plans 2025-2029

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The National Oversight and Audit Commission (NOAC) today published its review of local authorities and regional assemblies' corporate plans for the period 2025-2029, which is one of NOAC's key functions.

The corporate plan is a central component of the local authority business architecture, linking key elements such as policy, organisation, operational activity, governance and performance management.

The review was conducted by referencing the guidelines issued by the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, as well as recommendations made by NOAC in its previous Review of Local Authority and Regional Assembly Corporate Plans 2019–2024 and Review of Implementation of Local Authority and Regional Assembly Corporate Plans 2019–2024 reports.

NOAC recognises that the local government sector operates in an increasingly complex environment, which includes taking on new roles and responsibilities in areas such as climate action and the provision of digital services. The overall objective of the NOAC report is to support the development of the corporate planning process, including by highlighting examples of good practice.

The report highlights 25 recommendations across seven thematic areas covering:

- Governance, Oversight & Senior Management
- Consultation & Stakeholder Engagement
- Human Rights, Equality & Social Inclusion
- Policy Integration & Strategic Alignment
- Risk Management, Resilience & Contingency Planning
- Digital Transformation, Data & Performance Monitoring
- Climate Action & Sustainability

The NOAC Chair commented that ***“NOAC’s Corporate Plan’s report is a valuable source of key information that can help local authorities and regional assemblies identify areas that can assist them in reviewing their plans, as well as looking to the future to see where they can be improved, particularly through the identification of good practice examples highlighted by NOAC and through the recommendations emphasised across a number of important themes.”***

To view the NOAC Review of Local Authority and Regional Assembly Corporate Plans 2025-2029 report, please use the link provided below:

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