

Appendix 2: Timing for our work programme

Strengthening our core assurance role

Topic	Annual Plan initiative planned for 2023/24	2022/23				2023/24				2024/25			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Strengthening the public audit system	Audit readiness for public sector reforms, including new audit methodologies*		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Supporting the Ministry of Education's review of school accountability					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Readiness for climate reporting by public organisations	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Audit contract management system upgrade	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
	Audit fee reviews of key sectors**				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Positioning Audit New Zealand for the future	Focus on practice management and the implementation of the new audit tool				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

* This includes methodology for auditing the health plan and reporting against that plan, and methodologies for auditing strategies and plans for the water infrastructure entities.

** The local government sector will be reviewed in 2023, the schools sector in 2024, and the central government sector in 2025.

Increasing our impact with public organisations

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		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Influencing the public accountability system and supporting parliamentary scrutiny	Advice and support to Parliament and select committees (Annual reviews and Estimates)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Readiness for the next round of long-term plan audits		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Auckland Council review of service performance (topic to be confirmed)							✓	✓	✓	✓		
	Public sector accountability to communities – research						✓	✓	✓	✓			
Influencing the performance of public organisations	Effectiveness of mental health and alcohol/other drug harm reduction services for young people	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓							
	Understanding and addressing educational disparities			✓	✓	✓							
	Immigration New Zealand visa processing – accountability and effectiveness of the visa process					✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Progress of the Government's efforts to reduce child poverty					✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Planning of significant housing and urban development projects					✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Cyber security maturity and preparedness						✓	✓	✓	✓			
	Performance audit topic from public survey								✓	✓	✓	✓	
Influencing more meaningful and useful performance reporting	Assessing the quality of performance reporting				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
	Good practice guidance on performance reporting – local government				✓	✓	✓						
Increasing the focus on value for money	Monitoring performance information in sectors undergoing major change †				✓	✓		✓				✓	

† This work will focus on the health sector, tertiary education sector, and entities with responsibility for water management. We are aiming to publish baseline data by the end of Q1 2023/24 and update the data in March each year.

