



## Audit and Assurance Committee

Date of Meeting	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
Subject	Internal Audit Annual Assurance Statement
Agenda No.	5
Prepared By	Directorate for Internal Audit and Assurance
Paper Number	17.4A
Purpose	Discuss

### 1. Background

- 1.1. This report summarises Internal Audit’s work relating to Social Security Scotland during 2021-22 and provides our overall assurance opinion on the organisations risk management, governance and control arrangements throughout the year.

### 2. Key Points

- 2.1 We are providing a “**reasonable**” assurance marking on Social Security Scotland’s risk management, governance and control arrangements.
- 2.2 All report recommendations made in 2021-22 were accepted.
- 2.3 Follow-ups have been completed with 35 out of 64 (54.7%) recommendations found to have been fully implemented.

### 3. Conclusion

- 3.1 Members are invited to comment on the 2021-22 Annual Assurance Opinion.