

Audit and Assurance Committee	
Date of Meeting	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Subject	Internal Audit Annual Assurance Statement
Agenda No.	6
Prepared By	Directorate for Internal Audit and Assurance
Purpose	Discuss

## 1. Background

1.1. This report summarises Internal Audit's work relating to Social Security Scotland during 2022-23 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 Social Security Scotland engaged fully with Internal Audit throughout the year which enabled the successful delivery of the full audit plan during the year.
- 2.3 By the end of the year Internal Audit had undertaken 13 Assurance reviews, 13 Follow Ups and various pieces of Advisory work.

## 3. Conclusion

3.1 Members are invited to comment on the 2022-23 Annual Assurance Opinion.