Yeovil Town Council

Annual Governance Statement 2025/26

Assertion 10 – IT and Data Compliance - explanations for “no” response

The authority has reviewed its arrangements for IT and data management during the year and is unable to confirm compliance with Proper Practices.

The following key deficiencies were identified:

- The Council did not complete an annual review of its Data Protection Policy or undertake a data audit during the year.
- The Council does not have a formally adopted IT policy and therefore cannot demonstrate that appropriate controls and procedures are in place for the secure and effective management of IT systems and data.

As a result, the Council cannot confirm that it has maintained adequate systems of internal control in respect of IT and data governance.

The Council is taking corrective action, including adopting an IT policy, implementing regular policy reviews and introducing an annual data audit.