

Report of the Director of CBSS (Portfolio of the Leader of the Council)

## **Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to July 2016**

### **Summary**

1. This paper presents the future plan of reports expected to be presented to the Committee during the forthcoming year to July 2016.

### **Background**

2. There are to be six fixed meetings of the Committee in a municipal year. To assist members in their work, attached as an Annex is the indicative rolling Forward Plan for meetings to July 2016. This may be subject to change depending on key internal control and governance developments at the time. A rolling Forward Plan of the Committee will be reported at every meeting reflecting any known changes.
3. A number of amendments have been made to the Forward plan since the previous version was presented to the Committee in July 2015.
4. Four reports have been added to the agenda for the September meeting; an initial project management report; a Risk based verification policy report; and a report on the outcome of the Surveillance Commission.
5. A further project management report has been added to the Agenda for the December meeting at the request of Members at the last meeting in July.
6. The quarterly risk report has also been deferred from September to the next meeting in December.
7. An update report on the Older people project has been added to the Agenda for February's meeting.

## **Consultation**

8. The Forward Plan is subject to discussion by members at each meeting, has been discussed with the Chair of the Committee and key corporate officers.

## **Options**

9. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

## **Analysis**

10. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

## **Council Plan**

11. This report contributes to the overall effectiveness of the council's governance and assurance arrangements contributing to an 'Effective Organisation'.

## **Implications**

12.
  - (a)**Financial** - There are no implications
  - (b)**Human Resources (HR)** - There are no implications
  - (c)**Equalities** - There are no implications
  - (d)**Legal** - There are no implications
  - (e)**Crime and Disorder** - There are no implications
  - (f) **Information Technology (IT)** - There are no implications
  - (g)**Property** - There are no implications

## **Risk Management**

13. By not complying with the requirements of this report, the council will fail to have in place adequate scrutiny of its internal control

environment and governance arrangements, and it will also fail to properly comply with legislative and best practice requirements.

## Recommendations

14.

- (a) The Committee's Forward Plan for the period up to July 2016 be noted.

Reason

*To ensure the Committee receives regular reports in accordance with the functions of an effective audit committee.*

- (b) Members identify any further items they wish to add to the Forward Plan.

Reason

*To ensure the Committee can seek assurances on any aspect of the council's internal control environment in accordance with its roles and responsibilities.*

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## Specialist Implications Officers

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**Wards Affected:** Not applicable

**All**

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**Background Papers:**

None

**Annex**

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