

**Audit and Governance Committee Effectiveness – Action Plan Update**

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**Summary**

- 1 The purpose of this report is to provide details of the progress made to address the items included in the effectiveness action plan.

**Background**

- 2 The committee established a task group to undertake a review of its own effectiveness. The task group reported its findings on 12 December 2012 and concluded that the committee fulfilled its responsibilities and complied with best practice in many areas. However, a number of areas were identified where it was felt that the committee's own effectiveness could be improved or other changes made to support the functioning of the committee. An action plan was subsequently agreed by the committee at the meeting on 19 March 2013.

**Action Plan - Update**

- 3 Details of the progress made to date are attached in Annex 1.

**Council Plan**

- 4 The Audit and Governance Committee forms an important component of the council's corporate governance framework. As such it supports the overall aims and priorities of the council by promoting probity, integrity and honesty and by helping to make the council a more effective organisation.

**Implications**

- 5 There are no implications to this report in relation to:
  - **Finance**

- **Human Resources (HR)**
- **Equalities**
- **Legal**
- **Crime and Disorder**
- **Information Technology (IT)**
- **Property**

### **Risk Management Assessment**

- 6 The Committee may fail to fully and properly discharge its responsibilities if it fails to function effectively.

### **Recommendations**

- 7 Members are asked to consider the progress made to address the items included in the effectiveness action plan (attached at annex 1).

### Reason

*To ensure that the Audit and Governance Committee remains effective.*

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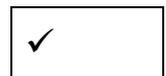


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**Specialist Implications Officers:** Not applicable

**Wards Affected:** Not applicable

**All**



**For further information please contact the author of the report**

**Background Papers:** None

### **Annexes**

Annex 1 – Action Plan arising from the recommendations of the A&G Committee Task Group