

Audit and Governance Committee

20th December 2016

Report of the Director of Customer & Corporate Services

Mazars Value for Money review 2015/16

Summary

 The paper attached at Annex A from Mazars, the Council's external auditors, considers whether the Council's arrangements over some of the major programmes of work are effective in terms of governance, management of risk and project delivery.

Analysis

- 2. The review looks at overall programme and project management arrangements and goes on to consider a number of the Councils major projects including
 - a) Community Stadium
 - b) Older Peoples Accommodation
 - c) Better Care Fund & Integration
 - d) Future Shape & Size / Operating Model for Children's Prevention & Early Intervention Services.
- 3. They conclude that the Council has significantly improved reporting on progress of schemes and the roll-out of more robust project management arrangements. The focused attention on the development of the "All About Projects" framework demonstrates the Council's commitment to putting in place robust structures for managing projects of major scale and complexity.

Consultation

4. Extensive consultation has taken place with a range of Council officers.

Options

5. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Analysis

6. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Council Plan

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

Implications

8. There are no implications to this report.

Risk Management

9. Not relevant for the purpose of the report

Recommendations

- 10. Members are asked to:
 - a) note the matters set out in the report presented by Mazars;

Reason

To ensure Members are aware of the issues and the action being taken by the Council.

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Specialist Implications Officers

Wards Affected: Not applicable All √

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Background Papers:

None

Annexes

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