
Audit and Governance Committee

28 July 2010

Report of the Director of Customer & Business Support Services

Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to April 2011

Summary

1. This paper presents the future plan of reports expected to be presented to the Committee to April 2011.

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 the remaining meetings to April 2011. 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. As reported at the meeting of this committee on 29 June 2010, CAA activity has been suspended by the new Government and members requested:

‘That an update report be scheduled on the plan to inform the Committee of any developments in respect of proposals to replace the CAA.’
4. This report has been scheduled into the Forward Plan for September 2010 to take account of emerging national and local developments over the coming months, and there will be an update from the Audit Commission at today’s meeting to outline the current position.

Consultation

5. 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

6. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Analysis

7. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Corporate Priorities

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

Implications

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- (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

10. 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

- 11.
- (a) The Committee's Forward Plan for the period up to April 2011 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

Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to April 2011