

Audit and Governance Committee

26 July 2011

Report of the Assistant Director of CBSS (Financial Services)

Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to June 2012

Summary

1. This paper presents the future plan of reports expected to be presented to the Committee during the forthcoming year to June 2012.

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 June 2012. 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. There is one amendment to the forward plan since the previous version was presented to this Committee in June 2011. This is the addition of the Review of the Effectiveness of Audit & Governance Committee, to the meeting in April 2012. This will ensure that the action from the 2010/11 Review of the Effectiveness of Internal Audit will be completed in time for the next annual review.

Consultation

4. 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

5. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Analysis

6. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Corporate Priorities

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

Implications

8.
 - (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

9. 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

10.
 - (a) The Committee's Forward Plan for the period up to June 2012, including the amendment discussed at paragraph 3, 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

Head of Civic, Democratic & Legal Services

Wards Affected: Not applicable

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

None

Annex

Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to June 2012