

Audit and Governance Committee

26 July 2011

Report of the Director of Customer & Business Support Services

Audit Commission Audit Progress Report 2010/11

Summary

- This report presents an update on progress in delivering the 2010/11 Audit Plan from the council's external auditor, the Audit Commission, including any requirements from 'those charged with governance' (the Audit & Governance Committee in City of York Council).
- 2. It also looks at 2011/12 audit fees and other developments including recent national activity.

Background

- 3. The Audit Commission's 2010/11 Audit Plan was presented to the Audit and Governance Committee in April 2010. The report gives an update on the progress against that plan including:
 - Opinion on the financial statements including compliance with Internal Financial Reporting Standards
 - Grant claim certification
 - VFM conclusion
- 4. The report also promotes some of the national work undertaken by the Audit Commission reported over the last three months.

Consultation

5. The progress report and particularly those items in paragraph 3 above have been discussed with key council 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 The fees can be contained within the 2010/11 and 2011/12 budget for external audit fees.
- (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. The report outlines any risks arising from the work of the Audit Commission and the response from council officers in managing those risks.

Recommendations

11. Members are asked to consider the content of the progress report, note its findings and matters arising.

Reason

To ensure the Committee is fully aware of the current activity of the external auditors and any issues that could affect the council's system of internal control

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Specialist Implications Officers

Wards Affected: Not applicable All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

Audit Commission Annual Audit Plan 2010/11

Annexes

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