

Report of the Director of CBSS

Audit & Governance Committee Forward Plan to June 2013

Summary

1. This paper presents the future plan of reports expected to be presented to the Committee during the forthcoming year to June 2013.

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. 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. Three amendments have been made to the forward plan since the previous version was presented to this Committee in June 2012. Firstly two reports have been added to the agenda for the September meeting at the request of members, including a feedback report on the effectiveness of the Audit & Governance working group and an update report on Personalisation.
4. Additionally the External Audit 2012/13 Audit Plan has been removed from the July Agenda as external Audit will not be in a position to discuss the planning until after the TUPE transfer.

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.

Council Plan

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

Implications

9.
 - (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 June 2013 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

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

None

Annex

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