

Audit and Governance Committee Report



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Report of: **Strategic Director**

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Actions arising

Recommendation

That members note the content of the report and remove the completed actions where recommended.

Purpose of report

1. The purpose of this report is to respond on actions arising from previous committee meetings.

Strategic objectives

2. To assist the council to manage its business effectively by providing an assurance framework to monitor the overall adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control environment.

Actions arising

(a) External auditor's report	Committee Date – 24 June 2013
The committee asked the strategic director to consider consulting on the public's comprehension of council financial information.	
Comment The strategic director will consider using the citizens' panel to assess comprehension of financial information.	Action Retain on this actions arising list.

(b) Internal audit activity report	Committee Date – 17 March 2014
To change the process for monitoring systemic control weaknesses to put the onus on to heads of service to address outstanding issues and for the audit manager to update the committee on progress with the committee concentrating on high level issues.	
Comment The Audit Manager will update councillors at the committee meeting.	Action Recommend removal from actions arising list.

(c) Internal audit plan 2014/15	Committee Date – 17 March 2014
The 2014/15 audit plan should include an elections review before the elections in 2015 and should include individual elector registration.	
Comment This has subsequently been agreed by the chairman and vice-chairman that an elections review in 2014 will be carried out by the Scrutiny Committee and not by the Audit team, or the Audit and Governance Committee.	Action Recommend removal from actions arising list.

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STRATEGIC DIRECTOR