Corporate Governance and Standards Committee Report

Ward(s) affected: All

Report of Director of Resources

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Internal Audit Annual Audit Plan - 2021-22

Executive Summary

The Council has outsourced its internal audit service to KPMG under a 3-year contract covering the financial years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23. The proposed Internal Audit Plan for 2021-22 by KPMG is presented at Appendix 1.

Recommendation to Committee

The Committee is requested to agree the annual internal audit plan for 2021-22, as set in Appendix 1 to this report.

Reason for Recommendation:

To ensure good governance arrangements and internal control by undertaking an adequate level of audit coverage

Is the report (or part of it) exempt from publication? No

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To present the internal audit annual audit plan for 2021-22.

2. Strategic Priorities

2.1 The audit of Council services supports the priority of providing efficient, cost effective and relevant quality public services that give the community value for money.

3. Background

3.1 The Audit Plan for 2021-22 is now being delivered by Neil Hewitson from KPMG who is the Council's outsourced internal audit manager for the three financial

years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23. A copy of their proposed audit plan for 2021-22 is attached at Appendix 1.

4. Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

5. Legal Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

6. Human Resource Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

7. Conclusion

7.1 The internal audit plan for 2021-22 is presented at Appendix 1.

8. Background Papers

None

9. Appendices

Appendix 1: Internal Audit Plan for 2021-22