

Corporate Governance and Standards Committee Report

Ward(s) affected: All

Report of Director of Resources

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## Internal Audit progress report

### Executive Summary

Appendix 1 presents a report from our internal audit contractor, KPMG on progress against their audit plan for 2021-22 and a summary of audit findings from the reviews undertaken during the first seven months of the year (April to October 2021).

### Recommendation to Committee

The Committee is requested to note internal audit progress against their 2021-22 plan and the key findings from the reviews undertaken.

#### 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 a summary of audit work completed since the last meeting.

### 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. The contract with KPMG

covers the three financial years 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23. A copy of their progress report and a summary of audit findings from the reviews undertaken in the period April to October 2021 is attached as 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 legal implications as a result of this report.

**6. Human Resource Implications**

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

**7. Conclusion**

7.1 The summary of internal audit reports is presented at Appendix 1.

**8. Background Papers**

None

**9. Appendices**

Appendix 1: Internal Audit progress report – November 2021