

| Forward Look – Twelve months to March 2015 Agenda No: 13 | | | |
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| Corporate Priority: | An organisation that delivers va | lue | |
| Report presented by: | Trevor Wilson, Head of Finance | | |
| Report prepared by: | Trevor Wilson, Head of Finance | | |
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| Background Papers: None | | Public | |
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| Options: | | Key Decision: | |
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Executive Summary:

To present to Governance Committee the report schedule for the year with a brief summary of each report so that Members can see the routine audit and accounts business that will come before the Committee in each cycle together with the annual cycle of governance reports.

There will be ad-hoc reports added, either at the request of members, the external auditor or from officers, during the year.

Decision:

Members are asked to note the report schedule for the next twelve month period.

Purpose of Decision:

To agree the work and reports which will be undertaken and presented to the Governance Committee over the coming 12 months.

| Any Corporate implications in relation to the following should be explained in detail | | |
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| Financial: | None | |
| Legal: | None | |
| Equalities/Diversity | None | |
| Customer Impact: | None | |
| Environment and Climate Change: | None | |
| Consultation/Community Engagement: | None | |
| Risks: | None | |
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Report Schedule

| Date | Report | Summary |
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| 2 nd July | Annual Governance | To present for approval the Annual |
| 2014 | Statement 2013/14 | Governance Statement for incorporation |
| | | in the Statement of Accounts. |
| | | Regulation 4 of the Accounts and Audit |
| | | Regulations 2003 requires "The relevant |
| | | body shall be responsible for ensuring |
| | | that the financial management of the |
| | | body is adequate and effective and that |
| | | the body has a sound system of internal control which facilitates the effective |
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| | | exercise of that body's functions and which includes arrangements for the |
| | | management of risk". |
| | Internal Audit Annual | To present the Annual Report on |
| | Report | Internal Audit for 2013/14 |
| | Financial Indicators | To present details of key financial |
| | report | indicators for the year to May 2014. |
| | Risk Management – | Details of the annual review of the |
| | Operational Risks | Council's Operational Risks. |
| | Quarterly Performance | To provide a copy for information of the |
| | Report | Cabinet Report advising of progress on |
| | | projects, performance indicators and the |
| | | forecast position on revenue spending |
| | | and the capital programme. |

| 17 th September 2014 | Receipt of the Statement of Accounts for 2013/14 together with the External Auditor's Final report to Governance Committee | To consider and approve the Statement of Accounts for 2013/14, which will have been subject to external audit. The draft Statement of Accounts is due to be certified by Corporate Director, by 30 th June 2014. The external auditor's report provides a summary of the work the external auditor has carried out during their audit of accounts. The conclusions they have reached and the recommendations they have made to discharge their statutory audit responsibilities are reported to those charged with governance at the time they are considering the financial statements. In preparing their report, the Code of Audit Practice requires them to comply with the requirements of International Standards on Auditing (United Kingdom & Ireland) – ISA (UK&I) - 260 'Communication of Audit Matters to Those Charged With Governance'. |
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| | Quarterly Performance Report | To provide a copy for information of the Cabinet Report advising of progress on projects, performance indicators and the forecast position on revenue spending and the capital programme. |
| | Internal Audit Activity report | To present details of the completed audit assignments. |
| | Treasury Management Strategy – review of 2013/14 and current year to date | To present a year-end report and mid- year report on delivery and performance of the Treasury Strategy for 2013/14 and 2014/15. |
| | Financial Indicators report | To present details of key financial indicators for the year to July 2014. |
| 14 th January 2015 | Annual Audit Letter 2013/14 | To present the Annual Audit Letter covering the Council's financial audit. The Committee receives the report on behalf of the Council and may make observations to Cabinet who can decide to take action to make improvements based on the external auditor's assessment. |
| | Grant Claim Certification for year ended 31st March 2014 | To receive external auditors report |
| | Draft Treasury Management Strategy 2015/16 | To present the draft Treasury Management Strategy for 2015/16. The Governance Committee to review and |

| | | make observations on the draft to the Cabinet, which will then present the Strategy to Full Council for approval in February 2015. |
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| | Internal Audit Activity report | To present details of the completed audit assignments. |
| | Financial Indicators report | To present details of key financial indicators for the year to November 2014. |
| | Quarterly Performance Report | To provide a copy for information of the Cabinet Report advising of progress on projects, performance indicators and the forecast position on revenue spending and the capital programme. |
| | Risk Management – Strategic Risks Report | To provide a copy for information of the Cabinet Report on the Council's Strategic Risk Register which details significant business risks being monitored and managed by Management Board in line with the Council's Risk Management Strategy. |
| 25 th March 2015 | Strategic Audit Plan 2015/19 | To present the Strategic Internal Audit Plan for the four year period. |
| | Internal Audit Activity report | To present details of the completed audit assignments. |
| | Governance Committee Annual Report | To consider the Committee's Annual report for 2014/15 |
| | Governance Committee self-assessment | For members to undertake an evaluation of the Committee's effectiveness. |
| | Financial Indicators report | To present details of key financial indicators for the year to February 2015. |
| | Quarterly Performance Report | To provide a copy for information of the Cabinet Report advising of progress on projects, performance indicators and the forecast position on revenue spending and the capital programme. |
| | External Audit Plan 2014/2015 | To receive the external auditors proposed Audit Plan and fees for 2014/2015. |
| | Risk Management – Strategic Risks Report | To provide a copy for information of the Cabinet Report on the Council's Strategic Risk Register which details significant business risks being monitored and managed by Management Board in line with the Council's Risk Management Strategy. |