

Forward Look – Twelve months to March 2015 Agenda No: 13			
Corporate Priority:	An organisation that delivers va	lue	
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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		
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
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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
		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 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> 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'.
	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 <sup>th</sup> 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.
	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 <sup>th</sup> 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.