

SUBJECT: INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND TOWN CLERK

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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 To present the Internal Audit Progress Report to the Audit Committee, incorporating the overall position reached so far, and summaries of the outcomes of audits completed during the period.

2. Executive Summary

2.1 The report highlights progress against the audit plan. We have currently completed 10% of the plan which is slightly behind target mainly due to the induction of the Audit Manager and recruitment. Once the outcome of the recruitment exercise for the team is known, the Annual Plan will be revised and resubmitted for approval.

2.2 Three reports have been issued since the previous Progress Report. These are Town Deal (High), Income Fees and Charges (Substantial) and Planned Maintenance (Substantial).

3. Internal Audit Progress Report

3.1 The Internal Audit progress report attached (Appendix A) covers the following areas :-

- Progress against the plan
- Summary of Audit work
- Current areas of interest relevant to the Audit Committee

4. Organisational Impacts

4.1 Finance (including whole life costs where applicable)

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

4.2 Legal Implications including Procurement Rules

There are no direct legal implications arising as a result of this report. TBC

4.3 Equality, Diversity & Human Rights

The Public Sector Equality Duty means that the Council must consider all individuals when carrying out their day-to-day work, in shaping policy, delivering

services and in relation to their own employees.

It requires that public bodies have due regard to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination
- Advance equality of opportunity
- Foster good relations between different people when carrying out their activities.

There are no direct E and D implications arising as a result of this report.

5. Recommendation

5.1 Audit Committee are asked to review and comment on the content of the latest Internal Audit Progress Report for 2022-23.

Key Decision

No

Do the Exempt Information Categories Apply?

No

Call in and Urgency: Is the decision one to which Rule 15 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

No

How many appendices does the report contain?

Two
Appendix 4 – Part B Only

List of Background Papers:

None

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