

## **Report of the Chairman on the work of the Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee held a meeting on 17 October 2017 and considered the following items of business.

**1. Annual Audit Letter 2016-17**

- 1.1 The Committee noted a report on the Annual Audit Letter 2016-17 from the Council's external auditor KPMG.

**2. Corporate Risk Management**

- 2.1 The Committee noted and accepted the update on the Corporate Risk Register and recommended it to Cabinet as an accurate reflection of the current corporate risks affecting the Council.

**3. Annual Governance Statement**

- 3.1 The Committee approved the draft Annual Governance Statement and endorsed the improvement actions identified in the Statement.

**4. Report on the effectiveness of the system of Internal Audit**

- 4.1 The Committee noted a report on the effectiveness of the system of internal audit.

**5. Internal Audit Interim Report**

- 5.1 The Committee noted the Internal Audit Interim report which summarised the work undertaken by Audit Services during the period April 2017 to September 2017 and provided the Council with assurance on the adequacy of its internal audit systems of control

**6. Consultation on Auditor Appointment from 2018-19**

- 6.1 The Committee noted the update on the appointment of external auditors from 2018/19.

**7. Update on Recruitment and Retention; Procurement; Partnership Governance**

- 7.1 The Committee noted the report and requested a further update on these issues for consideration at its next meeting.

**8. Update on Code of Corporate Governance**

- 8.1 The Committee noted the report and requested a further update on these issues for consideration at its next meeting.

**9. Committee Work Programme 2017-18**

- 9.1 The Committee approved its Work Programme for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2017/18.

**Councillor M.J. Madams**

*Chairman of the Audit Committee*

**19 October 2017**