

Report of the Chairman on the Work of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee held a meeting on 24 September 2015 and considered the following items of business.

1. External Audit Report on 2014/15 Audit and Statement of Accounts

- 1.1 The Committee noted the External Audit report on the 2014/15 Statement of Accounts and the officer responses to the External Auditors' recommendations.
- 1.2 The Committee authorised the Chief Finance Officer to sign the letter of representation and the Chief Finance Officer and the Chairman of the Audit Committee to sign the Statement of Accounts.

2. Corporate Risk Management

- 2.1 The Committee noted and accepted the quarterly update on the Corporate Risk Register including progress with actions to mitigate the Council's risks.

3. Internal Audit Interim Report

- 3.1 The Committee noted the Internal Audit Interim report which summarised the work undertaken by Audit Services during the period April 2015 to August 2015 and provided the Council with assurance on the adequacy of its internal audit systems of control

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. Annual Governance Statement

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

6. Committee Work Programme 2015/16

- 6.1 The Committee approved its Work Programme for the remainder of the Municipal Year 2015/16.

Councillor M.J. Madams

Chairman of the Audit Committee

22 October 2015