

Forward Work Plan

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1. Summary/link to the County Plan

- 1.1. Members have previously asked that we keep track of forthcoming items coming to Audit Committee, and also that officers ensure that the Committee has Partial assurance audits brought to it in a timely manner.
- 1.2. Officers have started to pre-populate some of the agenda items where they are known or anticipated. A Future Work Plan will be brought to the Audit Committee on at least a quarterly basis.

2. Issues for consideration

- 2.1. Members are asked to note the outline Agendas for the July 2017 and September 2017 meetings, as set out in Appendix A to this report, and to comment on any further items that they would like to be scheduled.
- 2.2. Members are asked to consider other agenda items that have been on this June agenda, and whether they would like to have a further update on any of these audits, risks or topics.

3. Background

- 3.1. Audit Committee has set out the requirement for any internal audit from SWAP that only achieved Partial Assurance to come to a future public meeting and for the manager(s) responsible to update members as to their progress against the agreed action plan.
- 3.2. There is also a number of “staple” Audit Committee items that form part of either the annual Statement of Accounts cycle, or that are regularly brought to Audit Committee as part of its general risk and governance role. July’s meeting will need to be predominantly given over to the Statement of Accounts and related reports, but it might be possible to include a small number of other items.
- 3.3. It is always possible, and has been the case in the recent past, that additional Audit Committee meetings can be added to incorporate the workload.

4. Consultations undertaken

4.1. None required

5. Implications

5.1. Any items requested not yet covered by the draft Workplan at Appendix A will require scheduling by officers, in conjunction with the Chair.

6. Background papers

6.1. Previous Audit Committee decisions on the process for dealing with Partial Audits.

Note For sight of individual background papers please contact the report author