

Personal Finance Contributions, Income Collection – Audit Update

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Division and Local Member: Not applicable

1. Summary

- 1.1. This report provides an update for Audit Committee following the partial opinion received following the *Personal Finance Contributions, Income Collection* audit, issued 31 March 2017.

2. Issues for consideration / Recommendations

- 2.1. Members are asked to note the actions that have taken place by officers since the audit was completed and in particular focuses on the management actions agreed.

3. Background

- 3.1. It is important for Members to note that the audit carried out preceded the restructure of the county's Finance service establishment 1 April 2017. This project has resulted in the introduction of major changes and reductions to staff, practice and structures, that relate to a number of the outcomes recommended. As such, the audit has helped inform some of the changes already adopted and being implemented.
- 3.2. It should be noted that in some cases the savings resulting from the restructure which is necessary to ensure a sustainable foundation for the authority can impact on controls and risk, albeit we have looked to ensure that any changes have a positive impact on behaviours and practice where possible.

4. Update on Management Actions

- 4.1. Please see the attached Appendix A

5. Background papers

- 5.1. Personal Finance Contributions, Income Collection Audit - Final Report 31 March 2017.

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