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INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2018-19 PROGRESS REPORT

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To update members on the Internal Audit Plan 2018-19 progress and bring to their attention any significant findings identified through our work.

2. CONTRIBUTION TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- 2.1 Delivery of the corporate objectives requires strong internal control. The attached report provides a summary of the audit work carried out to date this year by the Council's internal auditors, SWAP Internal Audit Services.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members are asked to note progress made in delivery of the 2018/19 internal audit plan and the significant findings.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

- 4.1 Any organisation needs to have a well-established and systematic risk management framework in place to identify and mitigate the risks it may face. WSC has a risk management framework, and within that, individual internal audit reports deal with the specific risk issues that arise from the findings. These are translated into mitigating actions and timetables for management to implement. The most significant findings are reported to this committee in terms of significant corporate risks or in terms of high priority findings at an individual service level.

5. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This report summarises the work of the Council's Internal Audit Service and provides:

- Details of any new significant weaknesses identified during internal audit work completed since the last report to the committee in September 2018.
- A schedule of audits completed during the period, detailing their respective assurance opinion rating, the number of recommendations and the respective priority rankings of these.

6. FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no specific finance issues relating to this report.

7. COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF SECTION 151 OFFICER

7.1 No Specific comments.

8. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

9. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

10. CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

11. ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

12. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IMPLICATIONS

12.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

13. HEALTH & WELLBEING

13.1 There are no direct implications from this report.

14. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1 There are no specific legal issues relating to this report.