AUDIT & STANDARDS COMMITTEE Agenda Item 7

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject:		Audit and Standards Committee Work Programme 2014/15	
Date of Meeting:		24 June 2014	
Report of:		Executive Director of Finance and Resources	
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Ward(s) affected:		All	

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND POLICY CONTEXT

1.1 The report presents the proposed Audit & Standards Committee work programme for 2014/15 for consideration.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**:

It is recommended that the Audit & Standards Committee:

- 2.1 Notes the proposed work programme for 2014/15 as set out in Appendix 1, and comments on any items.
- 2.2 Notes that the acting Head of Internal Audit will keep the work programme updated as new items and changes are identified.

3. CONTEXT/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 In order to assist Members to identify and plan key areas of the work for the Committee, a work programme has been prepared and is attached as Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The work programme sets out the reports proposed for Audit and Standards Committee meetings throughout 2014/15. It is intended that it is flexible enough the incorporate changes arising during the year.
- 3.3 The work plan will be regularly reviewed and updated. This should ensure it remains aligned to the Committee's priorities and to provide a basis for agenda planning.
- 3.4 The work programme categorises agenda items under four headings as follows:-

Category A = Statutory or other implied requirement Category B = Topics decided by the Committee Category C = Other Category D = Training and Awareness

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 This work programme has been circulated to key officer and discussed by the Officers Governance Board.
- 4.2 Members of the Committee are requested to give their comments on the work programme which will then be updated as required.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

The Audit and Standards Committee is an essential element of good financial governance. The costs of its work programme including officer support and training are met from existing budgetary provision.

Finance Officer Consulted: Name James Hengeveld Date: 13/06/14

Legal Implications:

The proposed agenda items in the Work Programme as set out in Appendix 1 are consistent with the Committee's terms of reference.

Lawyer Consulted: Oliver Dixon

Date: 13/06/14

Equalities Implications:

There are no equalities implications arising

Sustainability Implications:

There are no sustainability implications arising.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

1. Audit and Standards Committee Work Programme 2014/15