

Chichester District Council

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE 22 March 2016

Audit Report, Audit Plan & Progress Report – Audit Plan

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2. Recommendation

The committee is requested to consider and note:

a) the Audit Report

b) the Audit Plan for 2016/2017

c) progress against the Audit Plan 2015/2016

3. Main Report

3.1. Housing Benefit

This audit looked at five key areas within Housing Benefits and also a follow up of the 2014/2015 audit report. No recommendations have been made as a result of the audit and the follow up was found to have been actioned or in the process of being actioned. No recommendations have been made as a result of the audit. This audit is being sent to members for information. .

3.2. Audit Plan 2016/2017

Internal Audit maintains a three year rolling programme of audits and considers the Risk, Value and System Complexity. Each audit will also review the arrangements for securing value for money, and identification of potential efficiency gains. The first year of the three year rolling programme forms the Annual Plan for 2016/2017.

3.3. Audit Plan Progress

Since the last committee the majority of the time has been spent undertaking Key Financial Control work so that reliance can be placed on the work by the External Auditors (EY). One audit Housing Benefit has been completed since the last committee however, Personnel & Recruitment is still in the process of being agreed. Any of the remaining audits which have been started will be completed within the next financial year.

4. Background

4.1. Not Applicable

5. Outcomes to be achieved

5.1. Not Applicable

6. Proposal

6.1. Not Applicable

7. Alternatives that have been considered

7.1. Not Applicable

8. Resource and legal implications

8.1. Not Applicable

9. Consultation

9.1. Not Applicable

10. Community impact and corporate risks

10.1. Not Applicable

11. Other Implications

Are there any implications for the following?		
	Yes	No
Crime & Disorder:		√
Climate Change:		√
Human Rights and Equality Impact:		√
Safeguarding:		√
Other (Please specify):		√

12. Appendices

12.1. Progress Report – Audit Plan

12.2. Three Year Audit Plan for 2016/2017 to 2018/2019

12.3. Annual Audit Plan for 2016/2017

13. Background Papers

13.1 None