

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

8 May 2012

Audit Commission – Audit Plan 2011/12

Report of the Strategic Director for Resources

STRATEGIC AIM:	All
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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To inform the Committee of the Audit Commission's updated plan for 2011/12

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Committee notes the updated plan at Appendix A.

3. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 To ensure that the Committee is aware of and understand the planned work of the external auditor for 2011/12 and the factors that have been taken into consideration when formulating the plan.

4. BACKGROUND

4.1 Each year the Audit Commission produces and agrees with the Council, an Audit Plan setting out its approach to the audit of:

- The Council's Statement of Accounts
- Whole of Government Accounts return
- Value for Money

4.2 The plan for the 2011/12 audit is attached at Appendix A to this report.

4.3 The Committee is asked to consider and note the content of the plan.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

RISK	IMPACT	COMMENTS
Time	Low	Timescales for the audit work have been agreed with the Audit Manager
Viability	Low	There are no direct implications within this report
Finance	Low	There are no direct implications within this report
Profile	Medium	External assessment of the Council's performance attracts interest locally and nationally.
Equality and Diversity	Low	Equality Impact Assessment completed, there are no particular issues from this report.

Background Papers

None

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