14. Audit Committee Report

Purpose of report

1. To inform the Authority of the proceedings of the Audit Committee Meeting held on 7 October 2010.

Recommendation

The Audit Committee recommends that the Authority note the proceedings of the Committee Meeting held on 7 October 2010.

Business conducted at the Meeting

- 2. The Committee noted the following:
 - i. The amended Terms of Reference for the Committee as approved by the Authority on 28 September;
 - ii. Internal Audit Update;
 - iii. External Audit Update:

The Committee considered the Government's proposals to abolish the Audit Commission at the end of 2012 and that a new Audit regime should be in place for 2012/13. The Committee noted that the Audit Commission would complete the 2010/11 and 2011/12 audits.

iv. The Quarterly Risk Management Update

Financial Considerations

Consideration		Reference in Report i.e paragraph no.
There are financial issues that require consideration	N	

Legal Considerations

Consideration	Yes/No	Reference in Report
		i.e paragraph no.
There are legal issues e.g. contractual and procurement,	N	
reputational issues that require consideration		

Additional Considerations

3. The table below sets out any additional issues arising from the proposals contained in this report and identifies the relevant paragraphs in the report where such issues are addressed.

Consideration	Yes/No	Reference in Report i.e paragraph no.
Resources (e.g. Assets, ICT, Human Resources, Training & Development, Sustainability).	N	
Strategic Policy Links (e.g. IRMP, Authority Plan, Equality & Diversity, Partnerships, Environmental Impact).	N	
Risk Management / Health & Safety (e.g. risk management and control measures, risk register score).	N	
Consultation with Representative Bodies	N	

Supporting Information

None

Background Papers

Agenda and Reports for the Audit Committee Meeting on 7 October 2010 (see www.hwfire.org.uk).

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