7. Data Quality Report

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Purpose of the Report

This report introduces the Audit Commission's annual Data Quality Review for 2006/07.

Recommendation

That the Audit Committee note the contents of the Audit Commission's report and that the action plan has been added to the Strategic Improvement Plan.

Background

The Audit Commission, as part of their overall inspection plan, review the quality of data within South Somerset District Council. The review of this report is included within the remit of the Audit Committee under its terms of reference as follows:

"To consider the reports of external audit and inspection agencies and seek assurance from management that action has been taken".

The Report

The report from the Audit Commission is attached (pages 31-45) showing that SSDC is consistently above minimum requirements – performing well (a score of 3 out of 4). This is an improvement on the previous year where it was assessed as performing adequately (a score of 2 out of 4). An action plan has been agreed and added to the Strategic Improvement Plan.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications.

Background Papers: Audit Commission – Data Quality Review Report