6. Annual Audit Plan

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Purpose of the Report

This report introduces the Annual Audit Plan for 2010/11.

Recommendation

That the Audit Committee note the Annual Audit Plan.

Background

The Annual Audit Plan 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".

"To review and approve the annual Statement of Accounts, external auditor's opinion and reports to members and monitor management action in response to issues raised".

The Annual Audit Plan

The plan is attached (pages 23-44) to this report and covers a range of matters that are included under the remit (as outlined above) of the Audit Committee. The Audit Manager, Peter Lappin, will attend the Committee to present the plan and answer any questions.

Financial Implications

A budget of £126,920 is allocated in 2011/12 to fund the work of the Audit Commission. The fees are expected to be £113,685 for the work within the plan.

Background Papers: Audit Commission Audit Plan