PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

Audit Committee

22 March 2017

INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

Report by the Chief Internal Auditor

PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report presents a summary of Internal Audit's work against the 2016/17 annual plan.

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

- 1.1 The Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS) require that the Chief Internal Auditor reports periodically to the Audit Committee on internal audit activity and on performance relative to the approved plan.
- 1.2 Work has been completed on assignments included within the Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17. All reports from planned Internal Audit activity were issued by the 31 March 2017.
- 1.3 Appendix A details those assignments where work has been completed since the last report to the Audit Committee. Where appropriate, Internal Audit Reports for these assignments will be presented to the Audit Committee.
- 1.4 Appendix B shows a summary of each audit previously approved as part of the 2016/17 plan, along with the date that the outcome has been considered by Audit Committee.

2. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 This report presents a summary of Internal Audit's work against the 2016/17 annual plan. The 2016/17 plan is fully completed and reported.
- 5.2 It is recommended that the Committee notes the completion of work against the plan for 2016/17.

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1. IMPLICATIONS, ASSESSMENTS, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Implications	Yes / None
Community Plan / Single Outcome Agreement	None
Strategic Plan	Yes
Resource Implications	
Financial	None
Workforce	None
Asset Management (land, property, IST)	None
Assessments	
Equality Impact Assessment	Yes
Strategic Environmental Assessment	None
Sustainability (community, economic, environmental)	None
Legal and Governance	None
Risk	Yes
Consultation	
Internal	Yes
External	None
Communication	
Communications Plan	None

1. Strategic Implications

1.1 Corporate Plan

- 1.1.1 The Council's Corporate Plan 2013 2018 lays out five outcome focussed strategic objectives which provide clear strategic direction, inform decisions at a corporate and service level and shape resources allocation. They are as follows:
 - (i) Giving every child the best start in life;
 - (ii) Developing educated, responsible and informed citizens;
 - (iii) Promoting a prosperous, inclusive and sustainable economy;
 - (iv) Supporting people to lead independent, healthy and active lives; and
 - (v) Creating a safe and sustainable place for future generations.
 - 1.1.2 This report relates to all of these objectives.

2. Assessments

2.1 Equality Impact Assessment

2.1.1 Under the Equality Act 2010, the Council is required to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations between equality groups. Carrying out Equality Impact Assessments for plans and policies allows the Council to demonstrate that it is meeting these duties.

- 2.1.2 The information contained within this report has been considered under the Corporate Equalities Impact Assessment process (EqIA) and has been assessed as **not relevant** for the purposes of EqIA.
- 2.2 <u>Risk</u>
- 2.2.1 The risks are associated with the level of assurance provided on the control environment in the event that Internal Audit's planned work is not completed on time.

3. Consultation

- 3.1 Internal
- 3.1.1 The Chief Executive and Head of Finance have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

2. BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above report.

3. APPENDICES

Appendix A – Audit Activity Completed Since The Last Report To Audit Committee

Appendix B – Progress With Assignments Approved In The Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17

Appendix A

INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

Internal Audit Activity Completed Since The Last Report To Audit Committee

Audit No.	Audit Title	Service
16-04	SWIFT	Housing & Community Safety
16-16	Transformation	The Environment Service
16-22	Roads Maintenance Partnership	The Environment Service
16-23	Personalisation	Education & Children's Services
16-24	Commissioned Services: Care At Home	Housing & Community Safety
16-25	Parking Services	The Environment Service
16-27	Events & Festivals	The Environment Service

Appendix B

Progress With Assignments Approved In The Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17 as at February 2016

Audit No.	Audit Title	Original Anticipated Audit Committee	Assignment brief approved	Factual accuracy confirmed	Draft Report issued	Final Report issued	Audit Committee Date ^
16-01	Debt Recovery & Write Off	Sep 2016	23 August 2016	7 December 2016	15 December 2016	10 January 2017	February 2017
16-02	Credit Cards	Sep 2016	6 Apr 2016	19 May 2016	21 July 2016	16 September 2016	September 2016
16-03	Sales Ledger	Sep 2016	17 August 2016	20 October 2016	21 October 2016	31 October 2016	November 2016
16-04	SWIFT	Feb 2017	8 February 2017	24 February 2017	24 March 2017	31 March 2017	April 2017
16-05	Information Sharing	Sep 2016	20 Apr 2016	25 May 2016	7 June 2016	24 August 2016	September 2016
16-06	Financial Management of All- Through Schools: (a) Fairview School (b) St. John's Academy	Sep 2016	26 May 2016	17 August 2016	17 August 2016	(a) 24 August 2016	(a) September 2016 (b) November 2016
16-07	Financial Assessment and Charging	Sep 2016	23 June 2016	14 July 2016	27 July 2016	26 August 2017	September 2016
16-08	Adult Protection	Sep 2016	12 Apr 2016	7 June 2016	9 June 2016	19 August 2016	September 2016
16-09	Housing Options	Nov 2016	10 May 2016	9 August 2016	9 August 2016	24 August 2016	September 2016

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16-10	Charging for Services	Feb 2017	28 October 2016	22 December 2016	22 December 2016	22 December 2016	February 2017
16-11	Management of Relationship with Horsecross	Nov 2016	8 November 2016	16 December 2016	22 December 2016	6 January 2017	February 2017
16-12	Procurement	Nov 2016	February 2017	1 February 2017	1 February 2017	1 February 2017	March 2017
16-13	Performance & Capacity Management	Sep 2016	14 February 2017	24 February 2016	24 February 2017	2 March 2017	March 2017
16-14	Named Person Follow Up	Feb 2017	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Removed (Report 16/518 refers)
16-15	Fuel Management	Jun 2016	22 Apr 2016	19 May 2016	19 May 2016	31 May 2017	June 2016
16-16	Transformation	Feb 2017	February 2017	27 March 2017	28 March 2017	29 March 2017	April 2017
16-17	Pupil Support	Nov 2016	22 November 2016	8 December 2016	15 December 2016	6 January 2017	February 2017
16-18	Housing Rents	Feb 2017	19 September 2016	21 February 2017	21 February 2017	6 March 2017	March 2017
16-19	Rent Arrears	Feb 2017	10 January 2017	21 February 2017	21 February 2017	6 March 2017	March 2017
16-20	LEADER	Feb 2017	7 December 2016	22 December 2016	22 December 2016	11 January 2017	February 2017

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16-21	Property Maintenance	Nov 2016	10 August 2016	9 September 2016	13 September 2016	31 October 2016	November 2016
16-22	Roads Maintenance Partnership	Feb 2017	4 January 2017	23 February 2017	1 March 2017	30 March 2017	April 2017
16-23	Personalisation	Feb 2017	6 February 2017	16 February 2017	16 February 2017	31 March 2017	April 2017
16-24	Commissioned Services: Care At Home	Mar 2017	6 February 2017	28 March 2017	28 March 2017	30 March 2017	April 2017
16-25	Parking Services	Mar 2017	7 December 2016	21 February 2017	21 February 2017	27 March 2017	April 2017
16-26	Health & Social Care Partnership – Integrated Joint Board	Mar 2017	Commissioned	and reported direc	ctly to the Integrat	ed Joint Board	
16-27	Events and Festivals	Mar 2017	14 February 2017	21 March 2017	21 March 2017	27 March 2017	April 2017
16-28	BSOG October - March 2016 Grant Claim	Not Applicable	25 May 2016	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
16-29	BSOG April - September 2016 Grant Claim	Not applicable	25 May 2016	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
16-30	Cycling Walking Safer Streets Grant Claim	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
16-31	Superconnected Cities Grant Claim	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
16-32	Childs Plan	Feb 2017	February 2017	1 March 2017	1 March 2017	1 March 2017	March 2017

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16-33	European Social Fund	Nov 2016	7 December 2016	21 December 2016	22 December 2016	22 December 2016	February 2017
16-34	Tayside Contracts	Mar 2017	Ongoing	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	March 2017
16-35	Transformation	Mar 2017	Ongoing	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	March 2017
16-36	Corporate Governance	Mar 2017	Ongoing	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	23 February 2017	March 2017
16-37	Universal Credit	Sep 2016	19 October 2016	8 December 2016	5 January 2017	5 January 2017	February 2017
16-38	Housing Technology Implementation Plan	Mar 2017	14 February 2017	8 March 2017	8 March 2017	8 March 2017	March 2017

It is not anticipated that reports will be required to be issued for the certification of grant claims. Reports will only be issued where weaknesses in controls are identified which require action.