

**Report of City Solicitor**

**Report to** Corporate Governance and Audit Committee

**Date:** 9<sup>th</sup> July 2015

**Subject:** Work Programme

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In? .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

**1 Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 The Purpose of this report is to notify Members of the Committee of the draft work programme for the 2015/16 year. The draft work programme is attached at Appendix 1.

**2 Background information**

- 2.1 The work programme provides information about the future items for the Corporate Governance and Audit Committee agenda, when items will be presented and which officer will be responsible for the item.

**3 Main issues**

- 3.1 Members are requested to consider the draft work programme attached at Appendix 1 and determine whether any additional items need to be added to the work programme.
- 3.2 Members are asked to consider and note the provisional dates for meetings of the Committee in the 2015/16 municipal year; these have been set out in such a way as to enable the Committee to fulfil its functions and responsibilities in a reasonable and proportionate way.

### **3.3 Corporate Considerations**

#### **3.1 Consultation and Engagement**

3.1.1 This report consults seeks Members views on the content of the work programme of the Committee, so that it might meet the responsibilities set out in the committee's terms of reference.

#### **3.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

3.2.1 There are no equality and diversity or cohesion and integration issues arising from this report.

#### **3.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan**

3.4 The work programme provides a balanced number of reports and assurances upon which the committee can assess the adequacy of the council's corporate governance arrangements.

#### **3.5 Resources and value for money**

3.5.1 It is in the best interests of the Council to have sound control arrangements in place to ensure effective use of resources, these should be regularly reviewed and monitored as such the work programme directly contributes to this.

#### **3.5.2 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

3.5.1 This report is not an executive function and is not subject to call in.

#### **3.6 Risk Management**

3.6.1 By the Committee being assured that effective controls are in place throughout the Council the work programme promotes the management of risk at the Council.

3.6.2 The work programme adopts a risk based approach to the significant governance arrangements of the Council.

### **4 Conclusions**

4.1 The work programme of the Committee should be reviewed regularly and be updated appropriately in line with the risks currently facing the Council.

### **5 Recommendations**

5.1 Members are requested to:

5.2 (a) consider the work programme attached at Appendix 1 and determine whether any additional items need to be added to the work programme; and

### **6 Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website,

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unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.