GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

22nd SEPTEMBER 2014

REPORT OF HEAD OF WELLAND INTERNAL AUDIT CONSORTIUM

INTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update Members on progress with the 2014/15 Annual Audit Plan and other matters relating to the delivery of an effective internal audit service.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That Members note the report.

3.0 UPDATE ON THE INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN

3.1 The progress achieved in delivering the 2014/15 Plan is set out in Appendix A. The delivery of planned assignments is consistent with the target agreed with LGSS to complete 90% of planned assignments by 31st March 2015 and complete all assignments prior to the issue of the Annual Report of Internal Audit.

4.0 IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 The Chief Executive requires the Council's Management Team to review progress on implementing recommendations on a regular basis. This contributes to a timely implementation. At the date of reporting, there were 22 outstanding recommendations of which one was overdue for implementation.

5.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The report allows the Committee to develop independent assurance about the quality of the Council's internal control framework.

6.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no financial or other resource implications arising directly from this report.

7.0 **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS**

7.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report

8.0 **COMMUNITY SAFETY**

8.1 There are no Community Safety implications arising directly from this report

9.0 **EQUALITIES**

9.1 There are no Equalities implications arising directly from this report

10.0 **RISKS**

Probability

10.1 If the Consortium does not deliver the approved Audit Plan the assurance that it can provide about the Council's control framework would be compromised. Performance to date and the resources made available through the agreement with LGSS mitigates that risk.

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Risk No.	Description
1	Failure to deliver the 2014/15 Audit Plan

11.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE**

11.1 There are no Climate Change implications arising directly from this report

12.0 CONSULTATION

12.1 N/A

13.0 WARDS AFFECTED

13.1 All wards are indirectly affected by the report

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Appendices: 1

Background Papers: N/A

Reference: N/A