

18th NOVEMBER 2014

REPORT OF HEAD OF WELLAND INTERNAL AUDIT CONSORTIUM

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE TRAINING SESSIONS

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To provide Members with updated training options, and to obtain approval for a revised programme of training.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 Members are invited to discuss the training options and determine the timing of any training sessions.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 LGSS Internal Audit commenced management of the Welland Internal Audit Consortium in August 2014.

3.2 LGSS have completed a review of audit committee training provision across the Welland Authorities. This review included a comparison with audit committee training arrangements adopted by other authorities.

3.3 The review identified five areas in which training could be provided in short half hour sessions prior to the start of committee meetings. Full details are set out at Appendix A and the proposed topics are:

- An Introduction to Internal Audit
- Audit Committee Effectiveness and the Responsibilities of an Audit Committee
- Assurance and Independent Assurance
- Audit Planning
- Corporate Governance

4.0 POLICY AND CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no policy implications arising directly from this report.

5.0 FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no financial or other resource implications arising directly from this report. Training would be delivered within the days commissioned by the Council from the Audit Consortium.

6.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS/POWERS

6.1 There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

7.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY

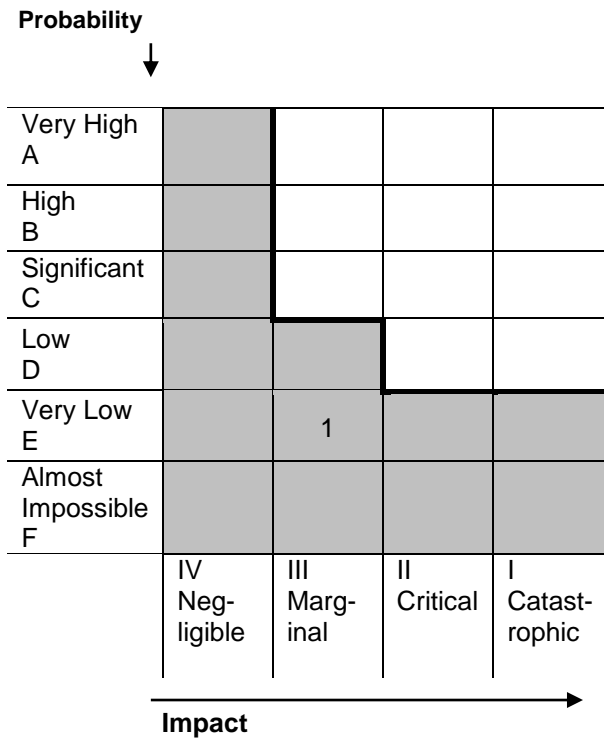
7.1 There are no community safety implications arising directly from this report.

8.0 EQUALITIES

8.1 There are no equalities implications arising directly from this report.

9.0 RISKS

9.1 If Members discharging the role of the Council’s Governance Committee do not demonstrate that they are engaged in effective oversight of the Internal Audit function and proper consideration of the evidence produced by Internal Audit about risk management and the effectiveness of controls, the Council’s governance arrangements may be compromised.



Risk No.	Description
1	Failure to demonstrate effective oversight of the Council's risks and effectiveness of controls

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