

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 15 JUNE 2016

REPORT BY HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS, STRATEGY AND POLICY

DATA QUALITY STRATEGY - ANNUAL REVIEW

WARD(S) AFFECTED:     *None specific*

Purpose/Summary of Report:

This report introduces the 2016 revisions to the Data Quality Strategy.

**RECOMMENDATION FOR AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:**

**That:**

**(A) the revisions to the attached strategy and summary guide be approved; and**

**(B) the approved policy be reviewed every three years, with the next review in 2019.**

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1.0     Background

1.1     East Herts is committed to delivering good data quality. The aim of the Data Quality Strategy is to continue to drive improvement in the quality of local government data e.g. performance and service information. This will lead to a greater confidence in the supporting data on which council decisions are based.

2.0     Report

2.1     Audit Committee at its meeting on 18 March 2015 agreed to continue to receive an annual review of the Data Quality Strategy. However it is proposed that going forward the strategy be reviewed every three years, as it is well established now and changes are minimal.

2.2     The revised Data Quality Strategy (version 14) can be found in **Essential Reference Paper ‘B’**. The strategy has been revised to

reflect the changes that have been introduced to the council's performance management framework for 2016/17 and to take into account good data quality management within service delivery.

### 3.0 Implications/Consultation

3.1 None

### Background Papers

None

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