

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

AUDIT COMMITTEE – 23 JANUARY 2013

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & SUPPORT SERVICES

AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2012/13

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report

- This report provides a revised Audit Committee work programme for the 2012/13 civic year for consideration and approval.

<u>RECOMMENDATION FOR AUDIT COMMITTEE: That:</u>	
(A)	The revised work programme for the Audit Committee be approved.

1.0 Background

1.1 The Audit Committee's work programme was approved by the Audit Committee on 14 March 2012.

2.0 Report

2.1 A revised Audit Committee work programme for the 2012/2013 civic year is given at **Essential Reference Paper 'B'**.

2.2 Five alterations have been made to the work programme:

- The Council's response to the External Auditor's recommendations relating to an objection to the 2011- 2012 Accounts has been added to the agenda at this meeting.
- Asset Management training for Members has been added to the agenda for the March 2013 meeting.
- The Annual Review of Data Quality Strategy has been moved to the March 2013 meeting as this is not due to be discussed at CMT until February 2013.

- The External Audit report on the Final External Audit Plan 2012/13 has been taken off the agenda for this meeting and will form part of the Audit Approach Memorandum at a later meeting.
- The External Audit report on the Audit Plan for 2013/14 and Fees on the agenda for the March 2013 meeting has been amended to an Update report.

3.0 Implications/Consultations

3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper 'A'**.

Background Papers

Audit Committee Work Programme 2012/13 Audit Committee
21 November 2012.

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