

AUDIT COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No.6
29 JUNE 2009	PUBLIC REPORT

Committee Member(s) responsible:	Councillor M Dalton, Chair of Audit Committee	
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FEEDBACK AND UPDATE REPORT

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

This is a standard report to Audit Committee which forms part of its agreed work programme.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

This standard report provides feedback on items considered or questions asked at previous meetings of the Committee. It also provides an update on any specific matters which are of interest to the Committee or where Committee have asked to be kept informed of progress.

3. FEEDBACK RESPONSES

Appendix A sets out the outstanding feedback items. Following approval by Committee the identified actions will be transferred to the record of Actions completed for the municipal year.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN (FEEDBACK REPORT)

MUNICIPAL YEAR: MAY 2008 - APRIL 2009

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9 Feb 2009	Agenda Item: 5 International Financial Reporting Standards	Members requested regular update reports throughout the year together with key timelines on its implementation.	John Blair	This has been factored into the Work Programme for 1 June 2009. Further update: This is rescheduled for training which will be provided to Audit Committee members prior to the presentation of the draft accounts on 29 June 2009.	
30 March 2009	Agenda Item: 5 Assurance Framework	Request for the Chief Internal Auditor to establish how other authorities ascertain their assurance levels and determine benchmarking	Steve Crabtree	Internal Audit are in the process of completing their Annual Benchmarking in conjunction with CIPFA. These are due to be submitted in early June. Draft feedback is expected in July and final information in September. Best practice ideas are shared, and Peterborough will be including its approach on assurance. We will seek other authority views and works in this area.	1 June 2009

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1 June 2009	Agenda Item: 5 Internal Audit Annual Report 2008/2009	Follow discussions on follow up arrangements and the levels of implementation, or otherwise, of audit recommendations, it was agreed to provide all Audit Committee Members with a copy of the current Audit Charter. This will be reviewed by the Chief Internal Auditor to : (1) Reflect any changes / improvements now reflected in the performance indicators; (2) Highlight improved protocols to follow up late responses to draft Audit Reports which will include a separate letter of endorsement from the Chief Internal Auditor and Chair of the Audit Committee; and (3) Reiterate the importance of responses by inviting officers to attend future Audit Committees to explain their performance in implementing audit recommendations and the controls in their systems / departments	Steve Crabtree Cllr M Dalton	The original Audit Charter, approved by Audit Committee on 9 November 2006, has been circulated to Members for information on 16 June 2009.	
1 June 2009	Agenda Item: 8 Audit Committee Work Programme	Request for the Head of Strategic Finance to provide an appropriate training session before the next Audit Committee meeting on the scrutiny of the final accounts.	John Blair	Scheduled on agenda for 6.00 p.m.	

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