

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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RISK AND ASSURANCE MAP - CONSULTATION FOR 2020/21

Report of the Assistant Director of Business and Property Services

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 Each year the Audit and Governance Committee is consulted at an early stage on the development of the plans of work for the Internal Audit and Risk and Assurance teams for the forthcoming year to give members the opportunity to raise any issues which they feel should be considered.
- 1.2 The allocation of resources will continue to be flexible given the level of changes that are occurring across the Council. Based on knowledge of the work of the Council currently, there are a number of areas that are expected to be a priority for 2020/21. These are as follows:
 - On-going audit work in relation to Council owned companies, e.g. Siglion.
 - Activity to deliver the City Plan, including the management of risks and projects to deliver key priorities.
 - Economic Development, including SSTC Phase 3 and work on the International Advanced Manufacturing Park.
 - Construction of the new City Hall.
 - Development of new Housing Service.
 - Corporate projects, including the introduction of Office 365 and the move to Cloud technology, including new ways of working in preparation for the move to the City Hall.
 - National Fraud Initiative and counter fraud work.
 - Key corporate functions/systems, particularly where significant changes / budget reductions are planned or have occurred.
- 1.3 A discussion will be held at the Committee to seek its input for the Risk and Assurance Map, and the plans of work for Internal Audit and Risk and Assurance for 2020/21.

2. Recommendation

2.1 The Committee is asked to consider and comment on the areas mentioned above and any additional areas which should be considered.