

MEETING:	AUDIT & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE:	Tuesday 26th January 2016
TITLE OF REPORT:	PROGRESS REPORT ON 2015/16 INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN
REPORT BY:	INTERNAL AUDIT - SOUTH WEST AUDIT PARTNERSHIP

#### Classification

Open

#### **Wards Affected**

County-wide

# **Purpose**

The purpose of this Internal Audit Report is to update Members on the progress of internal audit work and to bring to their attention any key internal control issues arising from work recently completed.

The attached report (Appendix A) is a summary of the activity completed at 31 December 2015 for the 2015/16 audit plan.

#### Recommendation

That subject to any comments the Committee wishes to make the report be noted.

## **Alternative Options**

1 This report is for information and therefore alternative options are not applicable.

#### Reasons for Recommendations

To ensure compliance with good practice as set out in the Public Sector Internal Audit Standards (PSIAS)

#### **Key Considerations**

3 See Appendix A

## **Community Impact**

4 The report does not impact on this area.

## **Equality and Human Rights**

5 The report does not impact on this area.

## **Financial Implications**

6 There are no financial implications.

## **Legal Implications**

- 7 There are no Legal implications.
- 8 NOTE: This section must be provided by Legal Services contact legal@herefordshire.gov.uk

# **Risk Management**

9 There is a risk that the level of work required to give an opinion on the Council's systems of Internal Control is not achieved. This is mitigated by the regular active management and monitoring of progress against the agreed internal audit plan.

Information in this section should be completed by the report author and **must** be cleared and approved by the Corporate Risk Manager and Directorate Risk Lead. Advice is available from the Corporate Risk Manager on 01432 261906.

#### Consultees

- The Director of Resources (Section 151 Officer) was consulted in the drafting of this report.
- 11 Appendices

Appendix A – SWAP Plan Progress Report 2015-16

Appendix B –Summary of Annual Plan 2015-16

Appendix C - Summary of Control Assurance Recommendations and Risk Levels Definitions, Categorisation of **Background Papers** None identified.