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MEETING AUDIT COMMITTEE

(Mr A Kwatra (Chair), Councillors Chohan, Dhillon,

Haines, Small and Walsh)

DATE AND TIME: THURSDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER, 2010 AT 6.30 PM

VENUE: COMMITTEE ROOM 2, TOWN HALL, BATH ROAD,

SLOUGH

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SUPPLEMENTARY PAPERS

The following Papers have been added to the agenda for the above meeting:-

Item 5 was not available for publication with the rest of the agenda.

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Internal Audit Progress Report

2010/2011

Borough Council

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Summary

This summary progress report has been prepared for the Members of the Audit Committee at Slough Borough Council to show progress to date; the work to the end of the year and for consideration along with the details of the restructuring of the Internal Audit and Risk Management service. It does therefore not contain the level of detail given to the October meeting.

Section 1: General Update

Section 2: Progress on the revised audit plan 2010/11 as at 15/11/2010

Section One- General Update

The audit plan below shows that there are currently 95 audits to be undertaken and that 18 (19%) are expected to be undertaken in the final quarter. This excludes 128 days contingency and 337 spare days. The spare days will allow for the reduction in staff that is expected once the consultation period is complete.

There are two adjustments to the plan agreed in October 28 days have been transferred to contingency with the combination of financial planning and budgetary control audits and cancellation of LAA/PSA.

Meeting are being held with Directors and Assistant Directors to make sure that audit resources are being allocated towards the most significant risks faced by the council and therefore it is possible that additional changes will be considered to the plan in the final quarter.

The Department for Education announced on the 16/11/2010 that the Financial Management Standard in Schools was to be replaced by a simpler assessment. It has therefore been agreed to stop the programme of work on the standard with the exception of one school still due to be assessed in the final quarter and on completing those assessments that have already commenced. A modified version of the assessment will be undertaken for the final school if details of the simplification become clearer before it is started.

Internal Audit Plan 2010/11 Approved October - Progress to 15 November 2010 DRAFT **Proposed Action** Days **FINAL** WIP Q4 Auditable area 2010/11 Q3 WORK Work **Central financial systems** 10 Treasury 10 Capital Finance 10 VAT Υ Audits combined and days 12 reduced days from 20 to Financial Planning & Budgetary Control 8 days to contingency 15 Creditors 10 Payroll 15 Debtors 10 Cashiers 6 Pensions 15 General Ledger 5 Petty cash and imprest systems 15 У Procurement **Revenues and Benefits** 12 **NNDR** Council Tax billing & collection 10 Benefits systems (Control & systems teams) Council Tax & Housing Benefits 10 у **Discretionary Housing Payments** 10 у 185 **Central financial systems Total Corporate Issues** Significant Projects (to be agreed with CMT) 10 Partnership working (cross cutting) 15 Υ Performance Management 10 **Data Quality** 10 15 CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme 10 Risk Management 15 Grants reviews Proactive anti-fraud work 20 30 135 **Corporate Issues**

Re	evised Ir	nternal A	Audit Pla	an 2010/1 [,]	1	
	Audit	DRAFT	FINAL	WIP	Q4	Proposed Action
Auditable area	2010/11			Q3 WORK	Work	
Resources Directorate						
Law & Corporate Governance						
Annual Governance Statement	5			Y		
Corporate Governance	15				у	
Committee Services	5			Y		
Mayoralty & Civic Expenses (Including car)	10		у			
Law & Corporate Governance totals	35					
Human Resources						
Absence management	10		у			
Pay and Remuneration	15			Y		
Human Resources totals	25					
Facilities						
Corporate Landlord	10			Y		
Property and Asset Management	10				Y	
Facilities Totals	20					
Resources Directorate Totals	80					
Improvement and Development						
LAA/PSA	0					Cancelled No Longer Required 20 days to
Concessionary Fares Administration	5				Y	contingency
Customer Services Centre – Telephones	10		Y			
Improvement and Development Totals	15					

Revised Internal Audit Plan 2010/11							
	Audit	DRAFT	FINAL	WIP	Q4	Proposed Action	
Auditable area	2010/11			Q3 WORK	Work		
Education & Children's Services							
Primary schools							
Castleview	6			Y			
James Elliman	6			Y			
Our Lady of Peace Infant	6		Υ				
Ryvvers	6		Υ	_	_		
St Anthonys	6				Υ		
Saint Ethlbert	6			Y			
Saint Marys CE	6			Y			
Western house	6			Υ			
Wexham Court	6	Υ					
Penn Wood	6			Y			
FMiS certification of schools audited in 2006-07	20					See comment in section 1 only one not started. All to	
Secondary Schools						be completed	
Baylis Court Secondary	10			Y			
Beechwood	10	Y					
Herschel	10			Y			
Langley Grammar	10			Y			
The Westgate	10		Υ				
Other							
Redundancy/teachers pensions	2		Υ				
Governor Services & Training	6		Υ				
Inclusion							
Behaviour Support Team	7		Υ				
Breakaway	6		Υ		_		
Youth Offending Team	15	_	Υ	_			
Children and Families							
C&F Fieldwork Teams	2				Υ		
C&F Assessment Team	10				Υ		
Mallards	10			Υ			
Children with Disabilities Register	8			Υ			
Services for children leaving care	8			Y			
Education & Children's Services totals	204						

Revised Internal Audit Plan 2010/11							
	Audit	DRAFT	FINAL	WIP	Q4	Proposed Action	
Auditable area	2010/11			Q3 WORK	Work		
Community and Well Being							
Safeguarding arrangements	15		Υ				
Lettings management	10	Υ					
Creative Academy	5		Υ			Investigation	
Appointeeship (Power of Attorney)	10		Υ				
Nursing homes - commissioning & expenditure	10				Υ		
Hanover Contract (Pines and Northampton)	10	Υ					
Physical Disability & Sensory Impairment Team							
Sensory Needs Team	6			Y			
Occupation Therapy Team	6		Υ				
Learning Disabilities							
Supported Living - Procedures	8		Υ				
Priors Day Services	8		Υ				
Mental Health Service							
Slough Community Mental Health	10		Υ				
Other Adult Services							
Speedwell Enterprises	10		Υ				
Service Strategy, Regulation & Directors Off.							
Commissioning Team & Supporting People	10			Y			
Supported Living (Additional Work)	5		Υ				
Stroke Care Grants	5		у				
Personalisation	5			Y			
Community and Well Being Totals	133						

Re	Revised Internal Audit Plan 2010/11							
Auditable area	Audit 2010/11	DRAFT	FINAL	WIP Q3 WORK	Q4 Work	Proposed Action		
Green & Built Environment	2010/11			<u> </u>				
Wexham Nursery	15		Y					
Development Control	10	_	Υ	_				
S.106 agreements	10			Y				
Transportation Planning	10	Y						
Highways - (Highways Maintenance and dev, Street works, Asset Management and Drainage, Street lighting)	15		Y					
Community Safety	10		Υ					
Emergency Planning	10		Υ					
Housing Service								
Housing development/enabling	8	Y						
Green & Built Environment totals	88							
People 1st (ALMO) - internal audit contract								
Gas Safety	5		Y					
Cash/Bank Control & Interface with Council Bank Reconciliation	10	Y						
Rents including IT issues	10			Y				
Housing Management	10			Y				
People 1st (ALMO) totals	35							

Revised Internal Audit Plan 2010/11							
	Audit	DRAFT	FINAL	WIP	Q4	Proposed Action	
Auditable area	2010/11			Q3 WORK	Work		
IT Audits							
Network Infrastructure	15			Y			
Remote Access/ Third Party Access Management	7	Y					
ICS Application	10			Y			
Capita- Housing Management Stage One	4	Y					
Capita- Housing Management Stage Two	6				Y		
CRIS Payroll System	8	Υ					
Income Management and E-Payments	12			Υ			
Change Control	10			Y			
FLARE and Operating System	10		Υ				
IT Audits total	82		·				
Total audit days	957						
Contingency/follow ups/advice - days available	128						
Spare days	332						
Total Available days	1407						
Contingency %	13%						
Total reports	95	10	28	39	18	5 in-house 13 Deloitte	
		11%	29%	41%	19%		

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