

## **INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT**

### **1 Purpose**

- 1.1 To report Internal Audit progress to the Audit Committee.

### **2 Recommendations/for decision**

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| 2.1 The Committee is asked to review and note the contents of the report. |
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### **3 Supporting information**

- 3.1 Internal Audit reviews the internal control and assurance mechanisms of the Council and produces formal Audit reports with recommendations intended to improve controls. Internal Audit will regularly report on the progress of its work to the Committee.

### **4 Audit Work**

- 4.1 A full list of the Final Audit Reports agreed and issued during the current financial year was circulated to the Committee as Appendix E to the Audit Committee Briefing Note issued in February 2009.
- 4.2 There are a number of reviews in progress at the time of writing and several draft reports waiting for a response from management.
- 4.3 A report on the outcome of the National Fraud Initiative (NFI) 2006 was included in the Briefing Note previously circulated to Members. Work is just commencing on the first results from NFI 2008.
- 4.4 The Audit team is currently working hard to complete the main financial systems audits before the end of the financial year.

### **5 Reasons for Recommendation**

- 5.1 One of the requirements of the CIPFA Code of Practice for Internal Audit in Local Government is that regular progress reports are provided to the Audit Committee.

### **6 Resource implications**

- 6.1 None.

### **7 Response to Key Aims and Objectives**

- 7.1 None.