Audit Committee

9 March 2016

APPENDIX H

AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

1 Purpose

1.1 To discuss, amend and approve the future work programme for the Audit Committee.

2 Recommendations/for decision

2.1 The Committee is asked to review, amend and approve the proposed work programme. Appendix 1

3 Supporting information

- 3.1 The proposed programme has been prepared taking into account the comments and requests made at previous Audit Committee meetings and the requirements of the Internal and External Audit process.
- 3.2 The Committee is asked to consider whether they wish to add or remove any items and whether the timing of items is appropriate to their needs.
- 3.3 The Committee is also asked to consider whether there are any additional areas or topics not included in the current work programme which they would like to add.
- 3.4 As agreed at the January 2016 meeting, the "Audit Committee Annual Report" has been moved to the July meeting. It is proposed that the "Audit Committee Review of Effectiveness" is also brought to the same meeting.

4 Reasons for Recommendation

4.1 To allow members of the Audit Committee to amend and agree their work programme.

5 Resource implications

An allowance is always included in the Annual Assurance Plan to support the work of the Audit Committee. There are no additional direct resource requirements arising from this report.

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Background Documents None

AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2015-16

| Item | Contact Officer | 28 Sep | 9 Nov | 25 Jan | 21 Mar | 25 July |
|--|-----------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| | | 2015 | 2015 | 2016 | 2016 | 2016 |
| Audit Committee Work Programme | Kate Mulhearn | Х | Х | Х | X | Х |
| Member Training / Briefing Sessions | Kate Mulhearn | X | | X | | Х |
| Audit Committee Annual Report | Kate Mulhearn | | | | | X |
| External Audit Plan & fee letter | David Guest | | | | X | |
| External Audit - Audit Results Report (ISA 260) | David Guest | Х | | | | |
| External Audit Annual Letter | David Guest | | Х | | | |
| External Audit AGR for Grant Claims | David Guest | | | Х | | |
| External Audit Update / Progress Report | David Guest | | Х | Х | | Х |
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| Annual Assurance Strategy and Plan | Kate Mulhearn | | | | X | |
| Assurance Progress Report | Kate Mulhearn | X | X | X | X | Χ |
| Audit Committee Review of Effectiveness | Kate Mulhearn | | | | X* | |
| Risk Management Progress Report | Kate Mulhearn | Х | | | Х | |
| Fraud Progress | Kate Mulhearn | | | Х | | Х |
| Business Assurance Services Manager's Annual Report | Kate Mulhearn | | | | | Х |
| Annual Governance Statement | Kate Mulhearn | | | | Х | Х |
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| Statement of Accounts | Tony Skeggs | | | | | Х |
| Post Audit Statement of Accounts | Tony Skeggs | Х | | | | |
| Working Balances | Tony Skeggs | | | | | Х |

^{*}Propose to bring the Audit Committee Review of Effectiveness to the July Meeting along with Audit Committee Annual Report