North Somerset Council

REPORT TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING: 10 SEPTEMBER 2014

SUBJECT OF REPORT: AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

2014-15

TOWN OR PARISH: ALL

OFFICER/MEMBER PRESENTING: COUNCILLOR TONY MOULIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

KEY DECISION: NO

RECOMMENDATION

The Audit Committee considers and agrees an Audit Committee Work Programme 2014-15.

1. SUMMARY OF REPORT

This report sets out the proposed work programme of the Audit Committee for the remainder of 2014-15.

The work of the Audit Committee contributes towards the Council's Annual Governance Statement which is included within the Council's Statement of Accounts.

2. POLICY

None

3. DETAILS

The details of the Audit Committee Work Programme are given in Appendix A.

4. CONSULTATION

The content of the Audit Committee Work Programme has been discussed with the relevant Council officers and Members of the Audit Committee.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The work programme for the Audit Committee mitigates against any failure by the Council to obtain independent assurance in relation to the internal control, risk management and governance processes.

7. EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

8. CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

None.

9. OPTIONS CONSIDERED

In formulating the work programme the Committee pays due regard to its terms of reference contained within the council's constitution.

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APPENDIX

	05 June 2014	June 2014	17 July 2014	10/09/2014 10am start not 3pm as previously advertised	01 December 2014	03 March 2015	May- 15
	Meeting	(end of June)	Workshop CW	Meeting	Workshop CW	Meeting	
Regular Reports		Fin					Elections
Audit Annual Assurance Plan to include implementation of recommendations	*Approve 14/15 Strategic Statement and Annual Assurance Plan *Annual report	Final Unaudited Accounts			Update on delivery of plan	Indicative 15/16 audit plan	ons
Business Continuity Plans	*Final outturn 13/14 plan and *Approve 14/15 Strategy/Plan	d Acco					
Counter Fraud Activity	*Final outturn 13/14 plan and *Approve 14/15 Strategy/Plan						
Accounts		published	Pre audit statements	Post audit statements - approval and recommendation to council			
Audit Committee Annual Report (incorporate effectiveness of IA	Discuss 13/14 annual report	(Action:		Approval of report and refer to council			
Risk Management	*Final outturn 13/14 plan and *Approve 14/15 Strategy/Plan	n: PS)			Update on delivery of action plan and SRR		

Annual Governance Statement		Review draft	Approval as part of accounts and refer to council	Update re 13/14 issue S256	Process 14/15statement	
Joint working with B&NES	Briefing	Briefing	Briefing	Briefing	Briefing	
External Audit	Reports to include progress report, fee letter and ISA Assurances from management and the Committee		Reports		Reports	
Work plan	Update work plan and workshop topics	Update work plan and workshop topics	Update work plan and workshop topics	Update work plan and workshop topics	Update work plan and workshop topics	
Commissioned Reports						
				Contract management and procurement		