

Report To: Corporate Governance Committee

Date of Meeting: 3 September 2014

Lead Member / Officer: Julian Thompson-Hill, Leader Member for Finance & Assets

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Title: Internal Audit Progress Report

1. What is the report about?

5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?

The Internal Audit Service provides assurance and advice to all levels of management and elected members on the quality of operations within the Council. Its work focuses on governance, risk management, performance, efficiency and operational and financial control, all of which are essential to the achievement of corporate priorities. It also carries out projects to ensure that the Council is on target to deliver its corporate priorities and specific projects to improve service efficiency and modernisation.

6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?

There are no specific cost or service implications arising from this report.

7. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision? The completed EqIA template should be attached as an appendix to the report.

This report does not require a decision or proposal for change, so there is no impact on people who share protected characteristics.

8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?

This is a progress report and does not require any consultations.

9. Chief Finance Officer Statement

There is no financial impact; therefore a statement is not required.

10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?

This is a progress report that shows good progress towards the end of the financial year, therefore there are no risks at this stage.

11. Power to make the Decision

There is no decision required for this report but there is a requirement under the local Government (Wales) Measure 2011 for the 'audit committee' to oversee the Council's internal audit arrangements.