

AUDIT COMMITTEE – MEMBER TRAINING

Audit Committee – 14 January 2014

Report of: Chief Finance Officer

Status: For Consideration

Key Decision: No

This report supports the Key Aim of providing value for money.

Portfolio Holder Cllr. Ramsay

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Recommendation to Audit Committee: That the training needs of Members of the Committee be considered.

Introduction

- 1 At the first meeting of the Audit Committee on 11 June 2013, it was mentioned that Members of the Committee might require training in certain areas to improve their understanding.
- 2 As the Committee has now met twice, the Chairman requested that a questionnaire be sent to all Committee Members to obtain their views so that training needs can be discussed at this meeting.

Questionnaire

- 3 The questionnaire listed the subject areas covered by this Committee and asked Members if they felt if they had adequate skills and if they would like to receive training.
- 4 Seven responses to the questionnaire were received and the results together with comments can be found in Appendix A.

Key Implications

Financial

There are no financial implications.

Legal Implications and Risk Assessment Statement.

There are no legal implications.

Equality Impacts

Consideration of impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty:		
Question	Answer	Explanation / Evidence
a. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have potential to disadvantage or discriminate against different groups in the community?	No	
b. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have the potential to promote equality of opportunity?	No	
c. What steps can be taken to mitigate, reduce, avoid or minimise the impacts identified above?		

Appendices

Appendix A – Audit Committee: Member Training Questionnaire results

Background Papers:

None.

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