

Report to:Risk and Audit Scrutiny ForumDate of Meeting:29 September 2011Report by:Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Subject:

Forward Programme for Future Meetings

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
 - Advise members of the forward programme for the Risk and Audit Scrutiny Forum to the end of 2011
 - Invite members to suggest topics for inclusion in the Forum's forward programme

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Forum is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

(1) that the report and the outline forward programme for the Risk and Audit Scrutiny Forum attached as an appendix to the report is noted

3. Background

- 3.1. The Audit Scotland report on the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning highlighted the need for changes to the membership and conduct of the (former) Risk Management and Audit Forum to improve compliance with good practice guidance.
- 3.2 As part of the improvement measures, an Action Plan for the Risk and Audit Scrutiny Forum has been prepared. The Plan contains a number of proposed actions, one of which is to include, as a standard agenda item, proposals for the following meeting of the Forum to provide an opportunity for members to inform future agendas. The outline forward programme for the Forum to the end of 2011 is attached, for members' information, as an appendix to the report.

4. Employee Implications

4.1. None

5. Financial Implications

5.1. None

6. Other Implications

6.1. There are no risk or sustainability issues associated with the content of this report.

7. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

7.1. None required

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Link(s) to Council Values/Improvement Themes/Objectives Improvement Theme – Governance and Accountability

Previous References

Executive Committee 8 July 2009

List of Background Papers

Audit Scotland Audit of Best Value and Community Planning

Contact for Further Information

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APPENDIX – RASF DRAFT FORWARD PROGRAMME TO END 2011

Date 3 November 2011 Item

1. Internal Audit Progress Report

- 2. Annual Report to Members and Controller of Audit including Final Management Letter
- 3. Top Risk Controls
- 4. Progress on Risk Management Workplan

Responsibility Risk and Audit Manager External Audit

Risk and Improvement Manager Risk and Improvement Manager

N.B. Audit Scotland national studies and reviews will appear as a recurring item but the frequency and subject matter will vary according to their programme.