Cherwell District Council

Accounts Audit and Risk Committee

28 June 2017

Internal Audit – Annual Report for 2016/17 and Progress Report 2017/18

Report of the Chief Finance Officer

This report is public

Purpose of report

To receive PwC's annual report for 2016/17, internal audit reports finalised since the last meeting and the CWAS progress report for 2017/18.

1.0 Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to note:

- 1.1 the contents of the 2016/17 annual report from PWC and audit reports finalised since the last meeting.
- 1.2 the contents of the 2017/18 progress report from CWAS.

2.0 Introduction

2.1 Internal Audit undertakes its work in line with their Audit Plan issued in March each year.

3.0 Report Details

- 3.1 PWC have yet to complete their planned work programme for 2016/17 but are due to issue an annual report, see Appendix 1 (to follow) and two reports covering reviews of Risk Management (see Appendix 2) and Finance (see Appendix 3).
- 3.2 CWAS is on track to deliver its planned programme of work for the 2017/18 year see Appendix 4.

4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations

4.1 The PWC annual reports summarise their work for 2016/17 and report on the findings of the Risk Management Review and Finance Review.

4.2 The CWAS report provides details of progress against the programme of work for 2017/18.

5.0 Consultation

None

6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

6.1 The following alternative options have been identified and rejected for the reasons as set out below.

Option 1: Not applicable as this report is for information. However, members may wish to request further information from the Chief Internal Auditor.

7.0 Implications

Financial and Resource Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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Legal Implications

7.2 There are no legal implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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Risk Management Implications

7.3 There are no risk management issues arising directly from this report

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Equality and Diversity

7.4 There are no equality and diversity issues arising directly from this report

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8.0 Decision Information

Wards Affected

All wards are affected

Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework

All corporate plan themes.

Lead Councillor

None

Document Information

Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	PWC Annual Report for 2016/17 (to follow)
Appendix 2	PWC Risk Management Review
Appendix 3	PWC Finance Review
Appendix 4	CWAS Progress Report 2017/18.
Background Papers	
None	
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