

North Lanarkshire Council

Report

Audit and Scrutiny Panel

for approval for noting

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Audit and risk-related items: Action log

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Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to allow elected members to track implementation of requests and recommendations made by the Panel in respect of audit and risk-related items in the previous 18 months.

The attached log (at Appendix 1) records those audit and risk-related requests and recommendations made by the Panel and when these were addressed and/or are expected to be addressed.

Recommendations

The Panel is invited to note the report.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire:

Priority: All priorities

Ambition statement All ambition statements



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Appendix 1 Audit and risk related items: Action log

Meeting	Requests and/or recommendations for action	Status
December 2020	Internal Audit to provide a report to future meetings of the Panel reporting progress made by management implementing agreed management actions in relation to all audit recommendations categorised as "red" or "amber".	Complete – A report on this matter is included as a separate agenda item for this meeting.
	Internal Audit to provide more clarity on the impact of Covid-19 on its ability to maintain audit coverage and complete planned work.	Complete – Narrative and detailed information in respect of this matter is included within the Internal Audit Progress Report included in the papers for this meeting.
	Submit reports on the following key corporate risks in line with the attached future programme: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERDP (Cycle 1) • Tackling poverty (Cycle 1) • Information governance (Cycle 2) • Public protection (Cycle 2) 	Partially complete – Report on those matters indicated as 'Cycle 1' are included as separate agenda items for this meeting. Reports on those matters indicated as 'Cycle 2' will be submitted to the next 'audit and risk' meeting of the Panel.
October 2020	Implementation by management of actions agreed in response to External Audit's recommendations to be monitored through reports from Internal Audit.	Complete –Progress in respect of relevant agreed actions in the most recent External Audit reports are included as part of the Internal Audit follow-up report included in the papers for this meeting.
September 2020	A report be submitted to the next 'audit' meeting of the Panel outlining the route map and timescales for the achievement of PCI DSS compliance.	Complete – A report on this matter was included as a separate agenda item for the December 2020 meeting.
	Internal Audit to provide a report to future meetings of the Panel reporting progress made by management implementing agreed management actions in relation to all audit recommendations categorised as "red" or "amber".	Complete – A report on this matter is included as a separate agenda item for this meeting.
December 2019	Submit reports on the following two corporate risks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information security and information governance • Business continuity planning 	Partially complete – A report on the management of the information security/governance corporate risk was due to go to the March 2020 meeting of the Panel which was postponed following lockdown. As agreed in December 2020, a report on the approach to managing this corporate risk is now due in Cycle 2. Internal Audit also recently undertook work on information security/governance and a report is included within the Internal Audit Progress Report included in the papers for this meeting. A report updating members on the current management and assessment of the business continuity planning risk was included as an agenda item for the December 2020 meeting.
	Future annual Whistleblowing Reports be remitted to the Panel from Policy and Strategy	Outstanding – a report will be remitted to the Panel after it is next considered by the Policy and Strategy Committee.
	A report on progress re-implementation of 1140 hours be submitted by the Service to the next meeting of the Education and Families Committee with a further report on this issue to the Panel in due course	Partially complete – A report from management on this issue was submitted to the February meeting of the Education and Families Committee. As outlined in the Internal Audit Progress Report, planned work on this project has been postponed due to the pandemic. The need for further audit work on this project will be considered during the preparation of the 2021-22 Plan.