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WELWYN HATFIELD COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE – 25TH JULY 2016

AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS – MONITORING UPDATE

1 <u>Executive Summary</u>

1.1 This report presents an update on previous audit actions/recommendations and progress made in the implementation of these. The report is based on exception reporting noting those recommendations that have not been implemented. Lists of recommendations are monitored by the Principal Governance Officer.

2 <u>Financial Implication(s)</u>

2.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

3 <u>Recommendation(s)</u>

3.1 That the Audit Committee notes and considers the content of the report.

4 <u>Detail</u>

- 4.1 The 2015/16 audit plan consisted of a total of 22 audits. Of these, 21 have been completed with 1 outstanding due to further work being undertaken. These 21 audits contained 20 medium recommendations and 32 recommendations meriting attention by management. A breakdown of these is shown at Appendix A of the 2015/16 Annual Assurance Statement.
- 4.2 The Committee should note the following:
 - Of the 20 medium recommendations, 13 are complete and 7 have not yet reached their due by date.
 - Of the 32 merits attention recommendations, 11 are complete, 19 are not due yet and 2 are awaiting further action.
 - There are no high level recommendations.

5 <u>Policy Implication(s)</u>

5.1 There are none.

6 <u>Risk Assessment</u>

6.1 The monitoring of audit recommendations is a key control to ensure that managers are acting upon audit recommendations.

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