CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Audit and Governance Committee

Date of Meeting: 28th June 2012

Report of: Director of Finance and Business Services

Subject/Title: Audit Committee Update

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Peter Raynes (Finance)

1.0 Report Summary

1.1 The report provides the Audit Committee with an update from the Audit Commission on progress in delivering their responsibilities (attached).

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 That the Committee receive and comment on the update report.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 The appointed auditors are required to report to those charged with governance.

4.0 Wards Affected

4.1 Not applicable.

5.0 Local Ward Members

- 5.1 Not applicable.
- 6.0 Policy Implications (including carbon reduction and health)
- 6.1 None

7.0 Financial Implications (Authorised by the Director of Finance and Business Services)

- 7.1 As covered in the report.
- 8.0 Legal Implications (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)
- 8.1 There are no specific legal issues associated with this report.

9.0 Risk Management

9.1 There is a risk that the Council will be unaware of key emerging national issues and developments which may be of interest to members if this report is not considered.

10.0 Background and Options

- 10.1 The report provides an update from the Audit Commission on progress in delivering their responsibilities as our external auditors. It includes an update on the externalisation of the Audit Practice.
- 10.2 The report also highlights key emerging national issues and developments which may be of interest to members.
- 10.3 The Audit Commission will be attending the meeting to answer any questions raised by members on this report.

11.0 Access to Information

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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