

## **COUNCIL MEETING – 16 OCTOBER 2014**

### **Extract from the Minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee Meeting on 25 September 2014**

#### **21 ANNUAL REPORT 2013/14**

The Chairman introduced the Committees draft Annual Report for 2013/14 prior to the final version being considered by the Council at its meeting on 16 October. The report set out the performance of the Committee in relation to its terms of reference, and detailed the findings, conclusions and recommendations in respect of the adequacy and effectiveness of its governance, risk management and internal control frameworks, financial reporting arrangements and internal and external functions.

In his introduction to the report, as well as giving a summary of the major areas of work covered during the year, the Chairman made reference to the contribution of the Committee to the Council's overall governance and control arrangements, the strengthening and improvement of which had been recognised by the External Auditors. The continuing importance of the Committee in the development of the Council's new Alternative Service Delivery Vehicles, and the positive results of its self assessment against new CIPFA guidance on audit committees was also reported.

#### **RESOLVED**

That approval be given for the draft Annual Report for 2013/14 to be submitted to Council on 16 October 2014.