

# DECISIONS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

27 FEBRUARY 2008

## COMMITTEE:

\*Councillor Jeremy Davies BA (Hons) CPFA (Chairman)  
Councillor Daniel Thomas BA (Hons) (Vice-Chairman)

## Councillors:

* Danish Chopra	* Geof Cooke
* Richard Cornelius	* Mukesh Depala
* Marina Yannakoudakis BSc (Hons) MA	Dean Cohen (substituting for Daniel Thomas)

\*denotes Member present

\$ denotes Member absent on Council Business

### 1. MINUTES:

RESOLVED – That the decisions of the meeting held on 5 December 2007 be approved as a correct record.

### 2. ABSENCE OF MEMBERS:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Daniel Thomas.

### 3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

There were no public questions.

### 4. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS:

No interests were declared.

### 5. MEMBERS' ITEMS: COUNCILLOR GEOFF COOKE - INVOICES FOR MEALS AT HOME (Democratic Services Manager - Item 5)

RESOLVED – that the Democratic Services Manager be instructed on behalf of the Committee to refer the member's item to the Cabinet Member for Community Services and Supporting the Vulnerable in the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider and deal with as they deem appropriate..

### 6. USE OF RESOURCES – INTERNAL CONTROL UPDATE (Executive Director for Resources – Item 6)

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the improvement in the Use of Resources judgment and particularly the achievement relating to the Risk Management be noted.
- (2) That the action plan for the improvement of the Internal Control key line of enquiry under the Comprehensive Performance Assessment Use of Resources judgement attached as appendix A to the report be noted.

### 7. EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT ON DATA QUALITY (Deputy Director for Resources and Chief Finance Officer –Item 7)

Officers from Grant Thornton gave members a presentation on the Data Quality Review for 2006-7.

RESOLVED –

- (1) That the recommendations of the external auditor's report and the agreed action plan be noted.

- 8. REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE (Director of Corporate Governance –Item 8)**  
RESOLVED –  
(1) That the effectiveness of the Committee in 2007/8, attached as Appendix A to the report be noted.  
(2) That the Committee’s Terms of Reference as set out in the Constitution and at Appendix B to the report be noted.
- 9. EXTERNAL AUDIT REPORT ON GRANTS SUBMISSION PROCESS (Deputy Director for Resources & Chief Finance Officer –Item 9)**  
RESOLVED –  
(1) That the matters raised by the external auditor relating to the grants submission and certification process be noted.  
(2) That management response to the matters raised by the external auditor be noted.
- 10. INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2006/7 – RENT DEPOSIT SCHEME (Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director for Environment and Regeneration – Item 10)**  
RESOLVED – That the contents of the report and the actions taken to address previously reported deficiencies be noted.

The meeting closed at 8.18pm