

| Title of Report: | Prior Year Recommendations Action Plan |
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| Committee Report Submitted To: | Audit Committee |
| Date of Meeting: | 21st September 2022 |
| For Decision or For Information | For Information |

| Linkage to Council Strategy (2021-25) | | | | | |
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| Strategic Theme | Improvement and Innovation | | | | |
| Outcome | All - Providing effective, accessible and sustainable local public | | | | |
| | services | | | | |
| Lead Officer | Director of Corporate Services | | | | |

| Budgetary Considerations | |
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| Cost of Proposal | N/A |
| Included in Current Year Estimates | |
| Capital/Revenue | |
| Code | |
| Staffing Costs | |

| Screening Requirements | Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. N/A | | | | | |
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| Section 75 Screening | Screening Completed: | Yes/ No | Date: | | | |
| | EQIA Required and Completed: | Yes /No | Date: | | | |
| Rural Needs Assessment | Screening Completed | Yes /No | Date: | | | |
| (RNA) | RNA Required and Completed: | Yes /No | Date: | | | |
| Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) | Screening Completed: | Yes /No | Date: | | | |

1.0 Introduction

The purpose of this report is update Members in terms of Progress on Prior Year Recommendations, following the Report to Audit Committee by Moore NI in June 2022.

2.0 Background

The Internal Audit Report – Review of Prior Year Recommendations was presented to Audit Committee in June 2022. The report summarised the findings arising from a review of the progress made by CCAG in implementing the prior year internal audit recommendations made as a result of internal audits carried out in 2020/21. This report also included a review of all internal audit recommendations made in 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19 and 2019/20 which were being addressed (or had not been addressed) at the time of the previous review of recommendations (in June 2021).

| Status | Number | Number of Recommendations | | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|-------|--|--|
| Status | Priority 1 | Priority 2 | Priority 3 | Total | | |
| Issue addressed | 4 | 32 | 16 | 52 | | |
| Issue being addressed | | 28 | 5 | 33 | | |
| Issue not yet addressed | | 6 | 7 | 12 | | |
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| Total | 4 | 66 | 28 | 98 | | |

 Table E (Source June 2022 Audit Committee Report – Agenda Item 7.5)

As at September 2022 – progress since June 2022, on Internal Audit Recommendations up to Year-End 2021

| tatus | Number | Total | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| latus | Priority 1 | Priority 2 | Priority 3 | TOLAI |
| Issue addressed | | 9 | 7 | 16 |
| Issue being addressed | | 24 | 4 | 28 |
| Issue not yet addressed | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | | | | |
| Total | | 34 | 12 | 46 |

Appendix 1 provides further details in terms of progress.

3.0 Prior Year Recommendations (PYR) Action Plan

- 3.1 The Prior Year Action Plan is currently being further developed to ensure all PYR as at year-end 2021, and current In-year recommendations (2021/22 and 2022/23 year-to date) are collated in one document and updated on a Quarterly basis. This will assist with monitoring and reviewing all outstanding recommendations, on a Priority basis – Priority 1, 2 and 3, and identifying issues Not yet addressed (Red), Being Addressed (Amber) or Addressed (Green).
- 3.2 The relevant responsible Director has been identified within the Plan for progressing the recommendations.
- 3.3 Progress of Prior Year Recommendations will be a standing item on the SLT Agenda (quarterly) and each Director will provide an update report on progress.
- 3.4 The Action Plan Progress Report will be reviewed by SLT at the end of November in advance of the update to December Audit Committee.
- 3.5 A deadline has been set for all outstanding recommendations up to 2021/22, to be progressed by February 2023.

4.0 Recommendation

It is recommended that Audit Committee note the Prior Year Recommendations Progress Report with a Quarterly Progress.

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| rior Year Recommendations | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Summary | | | | | | | | |
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| Jpdate as at 19th September 2022. | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | Progress as at 19.09.22 -Update provided to | | | Issue being | | |
| ection Detail of Review of Prior Year Recommendations | Directorate/Service Area | Outstanding Recommendations as at June Audit Committee | September Audit Committee | Completed since June | | addressed/Not Bein | g | |
| | | | | <u>P1</u> | P2 P3 | <u>P1 P2 P3</u> | | |
| 1 2016-17 Budgetary Control | | 3 x P2s being addressed | 3 x P2s being addressed | | | 3 | | CFO |
| 2 2016-17 Partnership | LD | 1 x P2 Not Yet Addressed | | | | 1 | | LD |
| 3 2016-17 ICT Environment | Corporate | Addressed | | | | | | |
| 4 2016-17 Invoicing and Debtor Management | | Addressed | | | | | | |
| 5 2019-20 Invoicing and Debtors | | 3 x P2's, 2 Being Addressed, 1 Not Yet Addressed | 3 x P2's, 2 Being Addressed, 1 Not Yet Addressed | | | 3 | | CFO |
| 6 2016-17 Information Governance and Data Protection | | 2 x P2's being addressed | | | | 1 | | Performance |
| 7 2017-18 Corporate Governance | Corporate | 1 x P2 being addressed | | | | | | CS |
| 8 2017-18 Asset Management | Finance | 2 x P2's being addressed | | | | 2 | | CFO |
| 9 2018-19 Town and Village Management | LD | 1 x P2 being addressed | | | | 1 | | LD |
| 10 2018-19 Time Recording and Overtime | Finance | 2 x P2s not yet addressed | 2 x P2s not yet addressed | | | 2 | | CFO |
| 11 2018-19 Off-Street Parking | ES | 1 x P2 Issue being addressed | Complete | | | | | ES |
| 12 2018-19 Travel and Subsistence | Finance | 1 x P2 Issue being addressed | 1 x P2 Issue being addressed | | | 1 | | CFO |
| 13 2018-19 Insurance | Performance | 1 x P2 Issue being addressed | 1 x P2 Issue being addressed | | | 1 | | Performance |
| 14 2018-19 Arts & Cultural Centres | LD | Addressed | | | | | | LD |
| 15 2019-20 Fuel Management | ES | 2 x P2s Issues being addressed | 1xComplete, 1xOngoing | | | 1 | | LD |
| 16 2019-20 Waste Management | ES | Addressed | | | | | | ES |
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| 17 2020-21 ICT – Working from Home (June 21) | ICT/Finance | 2 x P2s Issues being addressed | | | | 2 | | |
| 18 2020-21 Business Continuity and Emergency Planning (March 21 |) ES | 3 x P2s Issues being addressed 1 x P3 issue not addressed | Complete | | 3 1 | | | ES |
| 19 2020-21 Corporate Health and Safety | CHS | Addressed | | | | | | Performance |
| 20 2020-21 Environmental Health – Licencing | ES | 1 x P2 and 2 x P3 being addresssed | 1xP2 being addressed. All P3 complete | | 2 | 1 | | ES |
| 21 2020-21 Capital Projects | | 2 x P2s Issues being addressed | Complete | | 2 | | | ES |
| 22 2020-21 Agency Staff | | Addressed | | | | | | CS |
| 23 2020-21 Review of Credit Card Usage (March 21/December 21) | Finance | 2 x P3 Issue not addressed, 3xP2 being addressed, 1xP1 being addressed | | 1 | 2 3 | | 1 | CFO |
| 2020-21 Performance Improvement (June 21) | Performance | | 2 x P2 and 1 x P3 addressed, 3 x P2's and 1 P3 | | | | | |
| 24 | | 2 x P2s 1 P3Being Addressed, 1 x P2 and 1 x P3 not being addressed | being addressed | | 2 1 | 3 | 1 | Performance |
| 25 2020-21 Community Planning | | Addressed | | | | | | CS |
| 26 2020-21 Treasury Management (June 21) | Finance | 1 x P2 and 2 x P3 being addresssed, 3 Px 2 Not being addressed | | | | 3 2 (1-IBS, 1-NB | A) | CFO |
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