Report to Audit Committee

Subject: **Internal Audit Progress Report 2018/19**

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1. Purpose of the Report

To summarise the outcome of the internal audit activity completed by the RSM Internal Audit Team for the period March 2019 to May 2019.

Recommendations:

That Members:

- receive the report and note actions taken or to be taken.

2. Background

The internal audit plan 2018/19 was approved by Audit Committee on 20 March 2018. This report provides a summary update on all the final reports issued by RSM in the period March 2019 to May 2019 and highlights associated key findings and any concerns identified in any work in progress.

3. Proposal

The reports and findings considered at this Audit Committee are detailed in the appendix and include:

2018/19 Reports

- 15.18/19 – Follow Up 2;
- 18.18/19 – Cash and Banking;
- 19.18/19 – Property – Investment, Miscellaneous Properties and Facilities Management; and
- 20.18/19 – Contract and Procurement.

Members of the Audit Committee are asked to note that the RSM conclusion of the Follow Up 2 audit is that the Council has demonstrated “poor progress” in implementing agreed management actions. This was very concerning for the Senior Leadership Team and immediate action has been taken to address this matter. The Deputy Chief Executive can now confirm that out the 17 recommendations made, 13 have now been actioned, 3 have not yet reached the agreed implementation date, and an urgent reminder has been issued for the 1 that was not delivered before the agreed date.

4. Resource Implications

The internal audit plan is delivered within the approved budgets.

5. Appendices

RSM Internal Audit Progress Report.