FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: **FALKIRK COUNCIL – ICT SERVICE REVIEW 2012/13 REPORT FROM AUDIT SCOTLAND**
Meeting: **AUDIT COMMITTEE**
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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This report presents to the Audit Committee, the ICT Service review report from Audit Scotland for 2012/13. This audit report, attached at appendix one, outlines Audit Scotland's assessment of the Council's ICT functions and estate and notes key risks and potential challenges.

2. RISKS IDENTIFIED AND ACTION PLAN

2.1 The main section of the audit report looks at the key findings of the audit including, the Council's technology strategy, service delivery, access controls and compliance, asset protection and business continuity. The final section of the report notes the main risks and mitigating actions.

2.2 Since the report was finalised, significant challenges facing the Council have been addressed including reaccreditation under the Government's PSN / GSX compliance regime. A new technology strategy has been developed and is now being taken forward and significant work has been undertaken to refresh our business continuity arrangements.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 Members of the Audit Committee are asked to note the ICT service review report and the key actions being taken to address the risks outlined in appendix 4 of that report.

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DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & NEIGHBOURHOOD

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