

AC5. INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2016/17

The committee considered a report by the Internal Audit Manager presenting the Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17.

The Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17 encompassed 21 audits with 655 hours planned for direct internal audit time, 120 hours for ad hoc/consultancy work and 5 hours allowed for work on outstanding recommendations.

The plan had been prepared in accordance with Public Sector Internal Audit Standards 2013.

Members then asked questions in regard to:-

- the review of the ICT Service Desk and in particular the benchmarks to be used to define 'good' and 'bad' service;
- the process for agreeing which review would be undertaken by West Lothian Council as part of the reciprocal work arrangements;
- the process for determining which contracts will be reviewed as part of the audit of Procurement Services from external providers of social work services; and
- the process by which audits of the Trust were agreed.

Members then discussed the flexible and Mobile Working project and asked the Head of Policy, Technology & Improvement to provide detail of costs and projected savings.

Decision

The committee agreed:-

- (1) the Internal Audit Plan for 2016/17;**
- (2) to note the resources available to Internal Audit; and**
- (3) to note that progress will be reported to on an ongoing basis.**