

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE

1. Meeting:	Audit Committee
2. Date:	23 rd April 2014
3. Title:	Audit Committee Annual Report 2013 - 2014
4. Directorate:	Environment & Development Services

5. Summary

This report refers to and contains, at Appendix A, a draft Audit Committee Annual Report 2013/14. The Annual Report shows the Audit Committee has successfully fulfilled its terms of reference and has helped to improve the Council's governance arrangements and its overall control environment.

6. Recommendations

The Audit Committee is asked to agree the attached annual report for the year 2013/14.

7. Proposals and Details

The Audit Committee's Terms of Reference and best practice as contained in the CIPFA, IPF document "A Toolkit for Local Authority Audit Committees" require the Audit Committee to complete an annual report.

A copy of a draft Annual Report 2013/14 is attached at **Appendix A**. It shows key information relating to the Committee, its achievements during the year and priority areas for 2014/15.

The Audit Committee has previously been commended by the external auditor and the Annual Report shows that it has successfully fulfilled its terms of reference and has improved the Council's governance arrangements and its control environment.

8. Finance

There are no direct financial implications.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

The preparation of an Annual Report is in line with best practice.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Good Governance is wholly related to the achievement of the Council's objectives.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

A Toolkit for Local Authority Audit Committees, CIPFA, IPF, 2006.

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Appendix A: Audit Committee Annual Report 2013/14