

AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE 28 SEPTEMBER 2006



Report of the Corporate Director - Resources and Housing

EXTERNAL AUDIT – INDICATIVE EXTERNAL AUDIT AND INSPECTION PLAN FOR 2006/7

RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 To note the indicative external audit and inspection plan for 2006/7.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Council's external auditors published their indicative audit and inspection plan for 2006/7 in June 2006. The purpose of this is to meet an Audit Commission requirement, to give local authorities some warning of the issues likely to be reviewed in 2006/7 and to allow better coordination with internal audit activity. The external auditors will attend the Committee meeting to present their plans.
- 2.2 The outcome of this work will be reported through to the Committee in 2007.

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Background papers: List of appendices:	None Appendix 1 – Implications Appendix 2 – 2006/7 Indicative Audit and Inspection Plan

IMPLICATIONS

Financial

1. The proposed total Audit and Inspection fee for 2006/7 is £269,053, compared to £270,500 in 2005/6. There is budget provision to cover this.

Legal

2. None directly arising.

Personnel

3. None directly arising.

Equalities impact

4. None directly arising.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

5. The areas that are to be subject to external audit or inspection are generally relevant to delivery of corporate objectives and priorities.