

Report To:	Audit Committee	Date:	25 August 2015
Report By:	Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources	Report No:	AC/10/15/AF/APr
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Subject:	External Audit Action Plans - Current Actions		

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise members of the status of current actions from External Audit Action Plans at 30 June 2015.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Chief Internal Auditor co-ordinates follow up reporting on current actions arising from External Audit Action Plans on a monthly basis with regular reporting to CMT and the Audit Committee.
- 2.2 There were 2 actions due for completion by 30 June 2015 one of which has been reported as completed by management and action in relation to one item has been revised. There are 3 current external audit actions being progressed by officers.
- 2.3 The CMT has reviewed and agreed the current status of actions.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 It is recommended that Members note the progress to date in relation to the implementation of external audit actions.

Aubrey Fawcett Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 External Audit regularly report findings and action plans to relevant Council Officers and the Audit Committee as part of their annual audit plan.
- 4.2 A follow up process is in place to allow follow up of current external audit actions to be coordinated and updated by Internal Audit on a monthly basis, with regular reporting to CMT and the Audit Committee.

5.0 CURRENT STATUS

- 5.1 There are 3 current audit actions being progressed by Officers. There were 2 actions due for completion by 30 June 2015, one of which has been reported as completed by management and action in relation to the other item has been revised.
- 5.2 The CMT has reviewed and agreed the current status of actions.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Finance

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Financial Implications:

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

6.2 Legal

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

6.3 Human Resources

There are no direct HR implications arising from this report.

6.4 Equalities

There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

6.5 **Repopulation**

There are no direct repopulation implications arising from this report.

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

7.1 Relevant Officers were asked to provide updates to the report as appropriate.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 External Audit reports. Copies available from Andi Priestman, Chief Internal Auditor.

INVERCLYDE COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT

REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF EXTERNAL AUDIT ACTION PLAN POINTS AT 30 JUNE 2015

Summary: Section 1 Summary of Management Actions due for completion by 30/06/15

There were 2 items due for completion by 30 June 2015, one of which has been reported as completed by management and action in relation to the other has been revised.

Section 2 Summary of Current Management Actions Plans at 30/06/15

At 30 June 2015 there were no audit reports delayed due to management not finalising the action plan within agreed timescales.

Section 3 Current Management Actions at 30/06/15

At 30 June 2015 there was a total of 3 current audit action points.

Section 4 Analysis of Missed Deadlines

At 30 June 2015 there was one audit action point where the agreed deadline had been missed.

INVERCLYDE COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF EXTERNAL AUDIT ACTION PLAN POINTS

SUMMARY OF MANAGEMENT ACTION PLANS DUE FOR COMPLETION BY 30.06.15

SECTION 1

Area	No. of Actions Due	No. of Actions Completed	Deadline missed Revised date set*	Deadline missed Revised date to be set*	No action proposed
Chief Executive	0				
Environment, Regeneration and Resources	2	1	1		
Inverclyde Health and Social Care Partnership (IHSCP)	0				
Education, Communities and Organisational Development	0				
Total	2	1	1		

 * These actions are included in the Analysis of Missed Deadlines – Section 4

INVERCLYDE COUNCIL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF EXTERNAL AUDIT ACTION PLAN POINTS

SUMMARY OF CURRENT MANAGEMENT ACTIONS AS AT 30.06.15

SECTION 2

CURRENT ACTIONS BY DIRECTORATE

Environment, Regeneration and Resources		
Due for completion August 2015	2	
Due for completion March 2016	1	
Total Actions		
Total current actions:	3	

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CURRENT MANAGEMENT ACTIONS AS AT 30.06.15

SECTION 3

Environment, Regeneration and Resources

Action	Owner	Expected Date		
Annual Report to Members on the 2013-2014 Audit (Nove	ember 2014)			
Budget Monitoring Reports The current presentation of budget movements in Budget Monitoring reports will be reviewed and factored into reports on the 2015/16 budget.	Chief Financial Officer	31.08.15		
Targeted Follow Up to Audit Scotland Report on Major Capital Investments in Councils (December 2015)				
The cross directorate Asset Management Corporate Improvement Group will establish a post implementation review process together with supporting policies during 2015/16 to identify good practice and benefits accruing completed projects.	Asset Management CIG	31.03.16		
Specific training on capital investment will be delivered to Elected Member before the summer recess.	Corporate Director ERR	31.08.15*		

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SECTION 4

Report	Outstanding Actions	Original	Revised	Management Comments
		Date	Date	
Targeted Follow	Specific training on capital	30.06.15	31.08.15	The original training was scheduled for 18 June
Up to Audit	investment will be delivered to			but was replaced with training for members on
Scotland Report	Elected Member before the			the annual accounts process which was more
on Major Capital	summer recess.			relevant to the June Audit Committee meeting.
Investments in				A revised date has been set for the training to
Councils				take place prior to the August Audit Committee
(December 2015)				meeting.