

Regulatory and Other Committee

Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Executive Director Environment and Economy

Report to:	Audit Committee
Date:	30 January 2017
Subject:	IMT Assurance

Summary:

This report provides the Committee with an insight into the assurance status for Information Management Technology

Recommendation(s):

That the Committee seeks assurance from the Chief Technology Officer that actions to manage areas of low assurance, indicated in the Combined Assurance Status report, are being addressed

Background

- 1 With the help of Internal Audit, the Chief Technology Officer has produced a Combined Assurance Report which has co-ordinated assurance information across:-
 - Critical service delivery activities
 - Key risks
 - Key projects
 - Key partnerships

- 2 Appendix A shows the Combined Assurance report and explanations around the current assurance status. The key areas where low assurance has been provided are:
 - Service Reviews and Improvement Plans
 - IMT Led Projects
 - Capacity management
 - IT service continuity management/Disaster Recovery
 - Service asset and configuration management
 - Problem management

- 3 Due to the areas of low assurance, the Audit Committee have invited the Chief Technology Officer to attend the Committee meeting to respond to questions on actions being taken to improve the assurance position of IMT.

Conclusion

4. The assurance position over the IMT function has improved over the previous year but there is still a way to go to provide positive assurance on many of its critical activities.
5. IMT project delivery remains a significant risk to the Council and has a negative impact on the Council's ability to meet the changing needs of the organisation.

Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

n/a

Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Combined Assurance Status Report Information Management Technology

Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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