

Economic Prosperity, Environment and Highways Board 10 December 2015

Internal Audit Report - Review of Highways Schemes (ITS) 2015/16

Purpose of the report: Scrutiny of Services

To review the summary of audit findings and Management Action Plan produced as a result of an Internal Audit review of Highways Schemes (ITS) in 2015/16

Introduction:

 It has been agreed by the Chairmen of the council's Scrutiny Boards that any relevant Internal Audit reports that have attracted an audit opinion of either "Significant Improvement Needed" or "Unsatisfactory", and/or those with high priority recommendations, will be considered for inclusion on the Board's work programme.

Context:

- 2. Internal Audit undertook a review of Highways Integrated Highways Schemes (ITS) in August 2015. The report produced as a result of this review attracted an audit opinion of "Some Improvement Needed". There were 3 Medium Priority recommendations and 1 Low Priority recommendation made. A summary of the audit findings and recommendations is attached at **Annex A**. The agreed Management Action Plan is attached as **Annex B**. The supporting audit report has been previously circulated in accordance with the Reporting and Escalation Policy for audit reports.
- 3. Officers from the service and Internal Audit will be available at the meeting, and the Select Committee is asked to review the actions being taken to address the audit recommendations made.

Recommendation:

4. That the Board review the audit report and Management Action Plan and makes recommendations as necessary

Next Steps:

5. The Board will continue to have oversight of any relevant Internal Audit report that has attracted an audit opinion of either "Significant Improvement Needed" or "Unsatisfactory", and/or those with High Priority recommendations.

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Sources/background papers: Internal Audit report and MAP – Review of Highways Schemes

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