

## **Report of the Audit and Governance Committee - Matters for Information**

The following matters were considered by the Audit and Governance Committee at its meeting on 31 March 2014:

### **Part I matters**

#### **1. Internal Audit Service Progress Report**

Ruth Lowry, chief internal auditor, presented the internal audit progress report for the eleven months to 28 February 2014.

The report summarised the main issues emerging from the internal audit work completed to date. The report also set out the work performed against the annual audit plan for the year and the assurance assessment provided where work had been completed, including work to assess progress against management's agreed action plans.

**Decision Taken:** That the internal audit progress report for the eleven months to 28 February 2014 as now presented be noted.

#### **2. Information Governance Arrangements - update**

The committee considered a report on the progress made in developing robust arrangements to manage the County Council's responsibilities to properly maintain the confidentiality and security of information.

**Decision Taken:** That the report be noted.

#### **3. Directorate for Children and Young People Update Report**

Louise Taylor, interim executive director for children and young people presented an update on the actions taken in response to the internal audit report on Children and Young People (CYP) services.

**Decision Taken:** That the report be noted.

#### **4. Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing Directorate - Update report**

Steve Gross, executive director for adult services, health and wellbeing presented an update on the actions taken in response to the internal audit report on Adult Services, Health and Wellbeing.

**Decision Taken:** That the report be noted.

#### **5. External Audit Lancashire County Pension Fund Audit Plan 2013/14**

Karen Murray, director, Grant Thornton presented the External Audit Plan for the audit of the pension fund for 2013/14.

The committee noted that the fee for the audit of the pension fund had been set at £35,906.

**Decision Taken:** - That the External Audit Plans for the audit of the County Pension Fund for 2013/14, and the fees therein, be noted.

## **Part II matters**

### **6. Review of the Authorisation and Governance of Remuneration Payments**

(Exempt information as defined in Paragraphs 1, 3 and 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act, 1972. It was considered that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information)

A report was presented on an update in relation to the authorisation and governance of remuneration payments.

**Resolved:** That:

- i) The report be noted.
- ii) A further report be presented to the committee in due course.