Audit Committee – 3 November 2020

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Item	Subject	Decision
1	Internal Audit Plans including COVID-19	The Audit Committee:
	-	NOTED the content of the report; and
		AGREED the changes required to the 2020/21 Internal Audit Plan to accommodate work to assess the impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic on the Council's control environment.
2	Internal Audit Summary Report	The Audit Committee:
		NOTED the content of the report;
		COMMENTED on the outcome on the findings of the audit work completed; and
		ADVISED the Director of Corporate Services of their views and any recommendations for onward reporting to the Council.
3	Internal Audit - Follow Up Monitoring	The Audit Committee:
		NOTED the content of the report;
		NOTED the progress made in terms of the recommendations implemented;
		ADVISED the Director of Corporate Services of their views and any recommendations for onward reporting to the Council; and
		NOTED that the Chief Internal Auditor submits further reports on the status of outstanding

		recommendations
4	Care Home Fire Risk Assessments	The Audit Committee:
		NOTED the information provided in this report and the Appendices attached;
		 NOTED that this report will be presented to the Council's Policy and Resources Committee on 23 November 2020;
		NOTED that a report will be presented to the IJB as the body with delegated responsibility for commissioning the services provided in the care homes to inform the decisions of the Council with regard to any works required; and
		COMMENTED and ADVISED officers of the Committee's views including any recommendations for consideration by Policy and Resources Committee.
		The Audit Committee further AGREED to:
		• RECOMMEND to Policy and Resources Committee that Shetland Islands Council commission the same independent advisor to investigate and carry out a full risk assessment of all remaining care homes with respect to fire control measures. This work should include the one independent provider with their agreement. Outcome reports are to be presented to the appropriate committees, to provide reassurance, or to recommend further preventative measures. This work should also taking cognisance of paragraph 4.11 in the report, CRP 30-20-F, namely,
		 "4.11: The measures identified are specific to each building therefore in order to identify any such measures for the other care settings in Shetland, similar detailed assessments would need to be undertaken, however, the methodology would need to be adjusted to comply with COVID-19 restrictions. It is estimated that the assessments would cost in excess of £50,000."

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