# SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

**REPORT TO:** Audit & Corporate Governance Committee

DATE: 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

CONTACT OFFICER:Neil Wilcox; Director, Finance & Resources<br/>(Section 151 Officer)(For all Enquiries)(01753) 875368

WARD(S): All

### PART I FOR COMMENT & CONSIDERATION

### AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE – QUARTER 3 2017/18

### 1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to:

- Report to members on the progress of finalising draft Internal Audit reports
- Report to members on the progress of the implementation of Internal Audit recommendations
- Note the draft Risk Register

## 2. <u>Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action</u>

That Audit & Risk Committee is requested to comment on and note the attached reports.

## 3. The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five Year Plan

The <u>Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy</u> (SJWS) is the document that details the priorities agreed for Slough with partner organisations. The SJWS has been developed using a comprehensive evidence base that includes the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). Both are clearly linked and must be used in conjunction when preparing your report. They have been combined in the Slough Wellbeing Board report template to enable you to provide supporting information highlighting the link between the SJWS and JSNA priorities.

#### 3a. Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities -

The actions contained within the attached reports are designed to improve the governance of the organisation and will contribute to all of the emerging Community Strategy Priorities

Priorities:

- Economy and Skills
- Health and Wellbeing
- Regeneration and Environment
- Housing
- Safer Communities

## 3b. Five Year Plan Outcomes

The actions contained within this report will assist in achieving all of the five year plan outcomes

#### 4. Other Implications

(a) Financial

There are no financial implications of proposed action

#### (b) Risk Management

Recommendation	Risk/Threat/Opportunity	Mitigation(s)
That Audit & Risk	This report concerns risk	
Committee is requested	management across the	
to comment on and	Council	
note the attached		
reports		

#### (c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications

There are no Human Rights Act or other legal implications in this report

#### (d) Equalities Impact Assessment

There is no identified need for an EIA

#### 5. Supporting Information

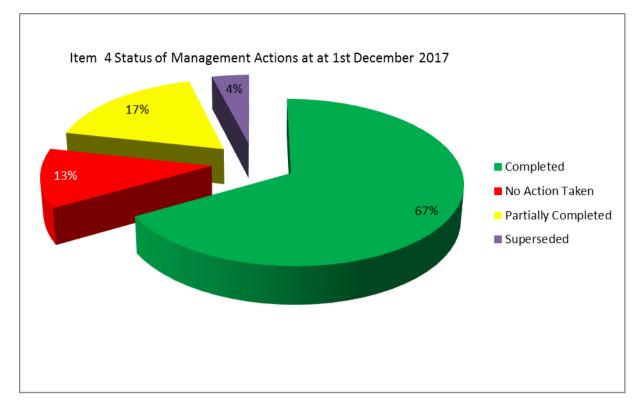
#### 5.1 Finalising Internal Audit Reports

5.1.1 The table below shows those Internal Audits that remain in draft and are yet to be finalised as at 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Audit	Audit Plan Year	Audit Sponsor	Assurance Level	Date to be Finalised by	Comments
Chalvey Early Years	16/17	Cate Duffy	Reasonable Assurance		No response from Nursery

#### 5.2 Monitoring Management Actions

5.2.1 The Risk and Insurance Officer regularly monitors the progress of the implementation of made following Internal Audit reports. Below is a graph that shows the percentage of recommendations that have either been implemented, are in progress, no action has been taken, or the recommendation has been superseded.



- 5.2.2 Attached at Appendix 1 is a table of Internal Audit from the 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 Audit Plans where actions are overdue or have been completed within since the last Governance report.
- 5.2.3 The number of implemented recommendations has increased to 67%, up on the 61% report at the previous Audit and Corporate Governance committee.

The number of Management Actions where "No Action" has been taken has reduced from 25% as the last report to13%

5.2.4 Attached at Appendix 2 is a list of the "High" Recommendation Actions that remain Outstanding past the target date. Currently there are 4 High Actions that are partially complete and 5 where No Action has been taken

At the last Committee it was reported that there was 8 "High Risk" recommendations incomplete.

5.2.5 At Appendix 3 is a graph that shows the status of Internal Audit management actions by risk rank.

#### 5.3 <u>Corporate Risk Register</u>

- 5.3.1 The last Audit and Corporate Governance Committee were advised that a workshop of the Corporate Management Team was to be held update the Corporate Risk Register
- 5.3.2 This workshop was held and attached at Appendix 4 is the corporate risks that have been identified along with corporate risk owners

## 6. Comments of Other Committees

There are no comments from other Committees.

## 7. Conclusion

Members are requested to note details of the draft Internal Audit report and Risk Register and progress on the implementation of Internal Audit recommendations.

### 8. Appendices Attached

Appendix 1 – Status of Internal Audit Management Actions

Appendix 2 – Details of High Rated Recommendations

Appendix 3 – Graph of the Implementation Status by Risk Ranking

Appendix 4 – Draft Risk register

# 9. Background Papers

None