



Audit and Risk Committee

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Report title	Payment Transparency	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Not applicable	

Recommendations for noting:
The Committee is asked to note:

1. The Council's current position with regards to the publication of all its expenditure.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 This report is to update the Committee on the Council's current position with regards to the publication of all its expenditure.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The latest position on the Council's payment transparency activity is as follows:
- Following the introduction of Agresso, the Council now publishes its own spend data, instead of using a third party.
 - The data is available on the Council's internet site under Transparency and Accountability (payments to suppliers) and is updated monthly.
 - In addition, to the spend to date, the site also includes spend for the financial years from 2011.
 - Since last reported to the Audit Committee in March 2016, there have been no requests for information from the public (as an 'armchair auditor').

3.0 Progress, options, discussion

- 3.1 We will continue to report back to the Audit and Risk Committee on the details of any 'armchair auditor' requests the council receives.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendation in this report. (MK/21062016/C)

5.0 Legal implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendation in this report. (TS/2106/2016/E)

6.0 Equalities implications

- 6.1 There are no equalities implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

7.0 Environmental implications

- 7.1 There are no environmental implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

8.0 Human resources implications

- 8.1 There are no human resources implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

9.0 Corporate landlord implications

- 9.1 There are no corporate landlord implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

10.0 Schedule of background papers - None