

# 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

### Recommendation for noting:

The Committee is asked to note:

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

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#### 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.
  - Since last reported to the Audit Committee in July 2017, 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. (GE/01902017/I)

#### 5.0 Legal implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendation in this report. (TS/01902017/R)

#### 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