

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 Audit and Risk 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:

- The Council publishes its own spend data which 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 each financial year.
- Since last reported to the Audit and Risk Committee, 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.
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5.0 Legal implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendation in this report.
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6.0 Equalities implications

6.1 Any equalities issues will be addressed as part of the process for the procurement of goods and services where appropriate, and as such will be addressed at that time.

7.0 Schedule of background papers –

7.1 None