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MEETING Finance, Governance and Audit Committee DATE OF MEETING 29 September 2017 SUBJECT OF THE Progress against audit recommendations REPORT STATUS OF REPORT For open publication PURPOSE OF REPORT For approval EXECUTIVE SUMMARY This report provides Members with an update on the progress of work against the recommendations made by Internal Audit, Gateway Assure. Although a number of recommendations have been identified **RISK ASSESSMENT** none were judged to represent a significant risk to the Authority. COMMUNITY IMPACT None for the purposes of this report ASSESSMENT **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS** None for the purposes of this report RECOMMENDATIONS Members are asked to: 1. Review and approve the progress made towards completing the agreed improvement activities. **BACKGROUND PAPERS** None for the purposes of this report **APPENDICES** Appendix A - Audit Improvement Plan Activities REPORT ORIGINATOR Name: Robert Ford, Head of Strategic Planning & Knowledge AND CONTACT Management Email: robert.ford@dwfire.org.uk Tel: 01722 691094

1 Introduction

- 1.1 At each meeting, the Authority's internal auditors present their findings following an agreed programme of quarterly audits. To support this, the auditor's findings are aligned to improvement activities to strengthen and resolve the identified issues. Together these form the basis of an Audit Improvement Plan.
- 1.2 This report contains progress against each of these improvement actions.

2 Improvement areas

- 2.1 Although a number of recommendations were identified within the audits, none have been judged to represent a significant risk to the Authority.
- 2.2 All recommendations have been recorded within Appendix A, where details of the Service's progress have been set out.
- 2.3 As previously agreed, once considered by Members, those activities from the previous quarters audits that were reported as complete will be removed from subsequent reports.

3 Summary and key points

3.1 There are no significant areas of slippage to report to Members. Progress continues to be regularly monitored by Directors. The Committee will receive an updated report at their next meeting, which will include progress on the outstanding audit improvements.