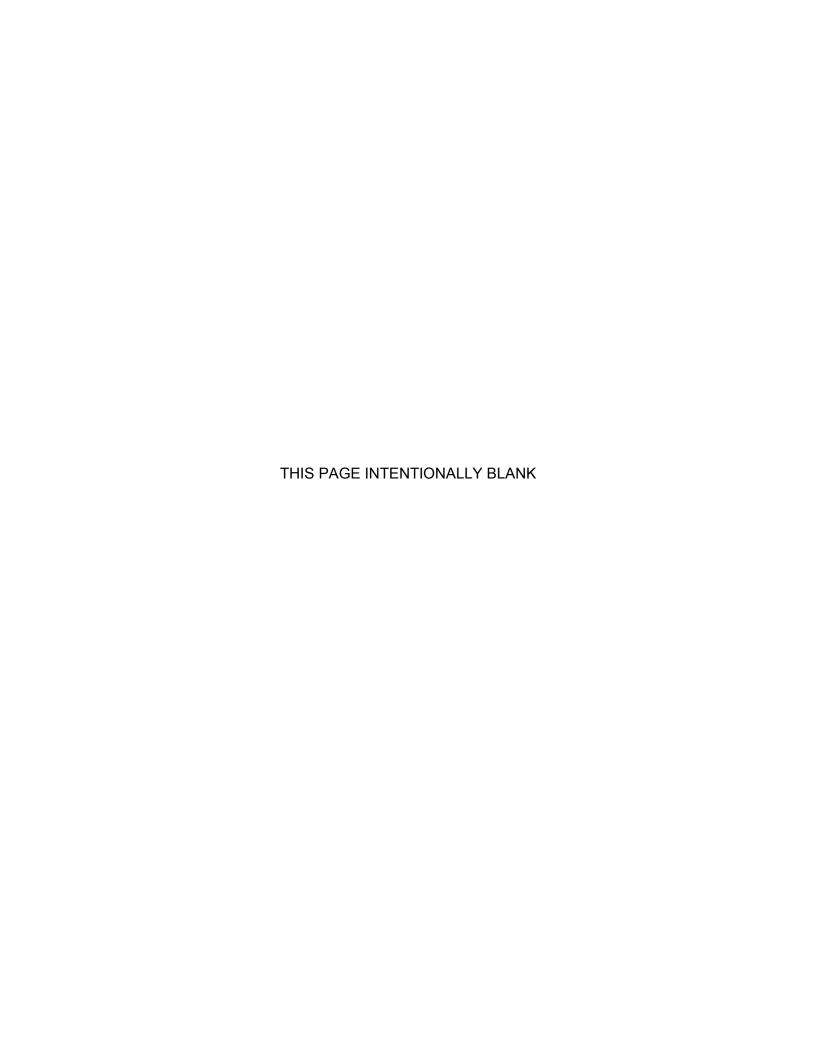
INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT - WASTE DISPOSAL CONTRACT WDA/07/12

Recommendation

That:

1. Members note the contents of the report from the Internal Auditor



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Report of the Treasurer

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 The Authority is required to maintain an effective Internal Audit as a part of its statutory governance arrangements. The Authority's Internal Audit is provided by St Helens Council. The Auditor reviews the arrangements at the Authority and reports to Members on any weaknesses and recommends improvements. This report brings to Members attentions the outcome of the latest review.

2. Background

The Internal Auditor has reported on the review of Final Claims on the Waste Disposal Contracts

2.1 The detailed report is attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

3. Review of Waste Disposal Contract Final Claims

- 3.1 As a part of the Audit Plan the Auditor reviewed the Authority's waste disposal contracts and the final claims made under them for 2009-10 and 2010-11. The contracts reviewed were:
 - The Waste Management and Recycling Contract (WMRC) operated by Veolia; and
 - The Landfill contracts with WRG (and Sita for asbestos).
- 3.2 The Auditor concluded that appropriate controls were in place and operating effectively. No key matters were drawn to the attention of Members for their consideration and there were no recommendations needed to strengthen controls.

4. Risk Implications

4.1 There are no risks arising from the auditors review

5. HR Implications

5.1 There are no HR implications

6. Environmental Implications

6.1 There are no environmental implications

7. Financial Implications

7.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report

8. Conclusion

8.1 Internal Audit reviews the Authority's governance arrangements. The recent review confirmed that arrangements were appropriate. Members are asked to note the report.

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The background documents to this report are open to inspection in accordance with Section 100D of The Local Government Act 1972 - Nil.