

INTERNAL AUDIT REPORTS
WDA/24/22

Recommendation

That:

1. Members note the contents of the reports 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 reviews.
- 1.2 Internal audit also follow up the progress made by the Authority in implementing any recommendations for improvements that they have made in earlier reports, so that Members are informed of the progress that has been made and whether any issues remain unresolved.

2. Internal audit follow up of action plans

- 2.1 The internal auditor regularly follows up on the implementation of recommendations arising from action plans included in their reports. This follow up provides Members with an understanding of the progress that has been made in the implementation of recommendations for improvements and the relative strength of the overall control environment at the Authority.
- 2.2 For this update the Auditor has provided a report attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.3 The update on recommendations provides members with updated over the implementation of recommendations for a number of reports:
 - Trade Waste Disposal – Published February 2020
 - Levy Calculation – Published September 21
 - Additional Covid 19 expenditure – Published October 21
 - Health & Safety System – Published October 21
 - Resource Recovery Contract – Published April 22
 - Veolia Waste Contract – Published May 22

Merseyside Waste Disposal Authority

25th November 2022

2.4 The report re-states the original recommendations and confirms the progress that has been made by the Authority in implementing the improvements. There have been no areas where recommendations have not been implemented.

3. Risk Implications

3.1 There are no new risks arising from the auditor's review

4. HR Implications

4.1 There are no new HR implications

5. Environmental Implications

5.1 There are no new environmental implications

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report

7. Legal Implications

7.1 There are no legal implications associated with this report.

8. Conclusion

8.1 There are no Key Issues for Members.

8.2 Members are able to review the implementation of recommended actions at the Authority, there are no outstanding or incomplete actions.

8.3 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.