

## Report from Chair of Audit and Risk Committee meeting 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016

At the meeting, the following reports were presented:

- Health and Safety 6 monthly report- It was noted that there was an increase in the number of incidents over a six month period. The Health and safety officer concluded that this was due to more awareness to report rather than an actual increase.
- Corporate Risk Management Report – No new risks had been identified and progress had been made in managing strategic, operational, project and partnership risks.
- Treasury Management half yearly report- This is a statutory financial report and was received.
- The Annual Audit Letter from Grant Thornton- A representative from Grant Thornton delivered this report. This is a statutory requirement and no different to the findings of the Audit Report. The rules state that both the Audit report and the Audit letter have to be reported to the Audit and Risk Committee
- Internal Audit Progress report– This was a verbal update by the Head of Audit and Elections. New software is being installed and almost ready to use. Agency support was being considered to assist the Audit team. Areas for audit had been re assessed but non were considered a high risk.

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Chair of Audit and Risk Committee