

INTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL REPORT 2001/02

Report of the Chief Internal Auditor

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1. Purpose of Report

To present a summary of the key themes and recommendations that emerged through Internal Audit's work in 2001/02, and of management's responses to these, to enable members to comment on these and related matters.

2. Background

The attached Annual Report aims to bring together, service by service, the main issues raised by Internal Audit in the course of their 2001/02 work. Where possible, it also outlines management's responses and actions taken to address the recommendations in the many individual audit reports.

The introductory section sets out the key messages to emerge from the report, and provides a glossary of the more frequently used audit terms and abbreviations.

The Committee's comments on the Annual Report are welcomed.