INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROL ACTION TABLE RESULTING FROM 2018-19 AUDITS

Issue Identified by Internal Audit	Action	Date Completed
Further clarification of payment controls during the next major review of Financial Regulations, in order to maintain a consistent approach of compliance	Financial Regulations Revision considered by Policy & Resources on 11 th September. Approval sought from Council	
Continue to ensure that the approval of official waivers to Financial Regulations are justified and approved on limited occasions only	To date in 2019-20 no official waivers One requested in October 2019	Ongoing
Continue to review recurring contracts and the management of medium-term contractual arrangements	Service Delivery Sub Committee established. One of the areas of focus is review of recurring contracts	
Monitor payroll procedures and processes, in order to safeguard compliance with HMRC and Pension requirements and review/reaffirm the terms of engagement of the Macebearer.	Payroll provider continuing to offer service, no issues arisen to date Review of Macebearer terms of engagement carried out. To be considered by Council on 9th October	
Continue to undertake appropriate due diligence in future service transfer developments and document existing arrangements in formal signed agreements	Negotiations with MCC re future service transfer arrangements stalled Documentation for existing arrangements to be put in place following consideration by Service Delivery Sub Committee	
Review and approve the levels of General and Earmarked Reserves as at 31st March 2019.	Reviewed and approved June 2019	June 2019

Issues identified by External Audit		
RFO Certification after approval by council	Error made, will not be repeated. No action required	
To address internal auditor's recommendations	Actions as above	Ongoing
The Council have other committees in place but have not set any terms of reference including any delegation of authority for those committees	This has been addressed with the move to the new committee structure and approval of the scheme of delegation. Each Committee will approve their Terms of Reference. To date P&R and Environment Committee have approved ToR	