Public Key Decision – No

HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title/Subject Matter: Internal Audit Update Report

Meeting/Date: Corporate Governance Committee

9 July 2025

Executive Portfolio: Executive Councillor for Governance &

Democratic Services

Cllr Jo Harvey

Report by: Internal Audit Manager – Dan Harris (RSM)

(Corporate Director – Finance and Resources)

Wards affected: All

Executive Summary:

This report sets out a summary of the work undertaken by the Internal Audit Service since the Committee last met in June 2025. RSM have prepared the update which will be presented by them.

Recommendation:

The Committee is

RECOMMENDED

to comment on and note the update on work undertaken by Internal Audit up to end of June 2025.

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 This report gives the Committee an update of the work of the Internal Audit Service since the last meeting.

2. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The activities of the Internal Audit team are pivotal to the organisation's governance and control processes. The findings of audit reviews demonstrate compliance with controls and processes or identify where improvements need to be made. This is an inherent element of Priority 3 of the Corporate Plan (2023-2028) which is about 'doing our core work well' through 'delivering good quality, high value-for-money services with good control and compliance with statutory obligations'.
- 1.2 RSM will, in the capacity of Head of Internal Audit be at the meeting to present the update on the work that had been carried out.
- 1.3 Given that the work relating to Cyber Risk and the controls associated with keeping the Council's systems secure need to remain confidential, the detail for that audit is restricted under Paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

3. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 None

4. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

4.1 No additional resource requirements arise from this report.

5. LIST OF APPENDICES INCLUDED

Appendix 1 – Internal Update Report from RSM LLP

Appendix 2 – Confidential update on Cyber Essentials audit

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