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Committee Planning and Monitoring Subcommittee
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Audit Management Letter

1. Purpose

To receive the Audit Management Letter in respect of the year ended 30 June 2005.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report do not trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

Each year following the year ended audit the Audit Office prepares a management letter summarising their findings and any issues that arose during their audit.

4. Management Letter for the year ended 30 June 2005

Overall, there are no major issues that arose during the audit. There are some eleven minor issues that came to the Auditor's attention.

However, these minor issues have contributed to the Council's rating of five excellents being downgraded to three excellents and two goods.

A number of the matters raised which have contributed to the downgrade have existed for a number of years and are extremely minor in nature. Detailed comment on each of the issues are included in Appendix 1 of the Audit Management Letter (**Attachment 1**).

5. Communication

No communications are necessary.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report.*
- 2. Notes the content of the report.*

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Attachment 1: Audit Management Letter