

**Committee:** Performance Select Committee

**Agenda Item**

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**Title:** Internal Audit – Data Protection

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decision

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### Summary

A recent internal audit of Data Protection is attached together with a management action plan. This item is included in the agenda in response to Members request that internal audit reports are discussed at the Performance Select Committee.

### Recommendations

That the Data Protection audit and management action plan are noted.

### Background Papers

The Internal Audit Plan for 2005/06. Members are reminded that all internal audit reports can be viewed on the Council's Intranet.

### Impact

Communication/Consultation	The report has previously been circulated amongst relevant officers
Community Safety	None identified
Equalities	None identified
Finance	None identified
Human Rights	None identified
Legal implications	Ongoing compliance with the Data Protection Act
Ward-specific impacts	None identified
Workforce/Workplace	None identified

### Situation

An internal audit of Data Protection has been carried out as part of the 2005/06 internal audit plan. The report contains a number of recommendations to improve internal control and manage risk. The report was issued to relevant managers in accordance with an agreed protocol. A management action plan was included with the attached internal audit report.

**Risk Analysis**

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
The issues highlighted in the report are not acted upon	Low	Medium	Internal audit reports are followed up to ensure compliance. There are escalation procedures in the event of non compliance.