Proposed Changes to the Internal Audit Plan 2020/21

New risk and nature of risk	Audit area	Audit days
There is a risk that Emergency Payments were not made as intended.	Probity Audit Emergency Payments	10
Covid-19 has impacted on the revenue due to the Council and there is a risk income due is not collected. The purpose of this audit is to provide assurance arrangements are in place for the proper administration of the Council's key income streams (general fund and HRA).	Revenue Assurance	15
Risk of non-compliance – where appropriate contracting procedures are not followed particularly following guidance issued under Policy Procedure Note 01/20, which sets out information and guidance for public bodies on payment of their suppliers to ensure service continuity during and after the COVID-19 lockdown.	Procurement - Arrangement made under Policy Procurement Note	10
Failure to adhere to Policies and procedures in the use of the Council's purchase cards	Continuous audit of use of Purchase Cards	10
There is a risk that cyber criminals attack the Council's ICT , such as smart devices, PCs and cloud-based systems with malicious intent at a time when the organisation is dependent on its technology.	Management of Cyber risks	15
The disaster recovery arrangements made pre Covid-19 fail to respond allowing council services to continue in case of a disaster.	IT Disaster Recovery Arrangements	10
There is a risk that the technological platform upon which the Council's ICT infrastructure is based is not able	IT Infra structure Resilience	10

to respond to the increase in reliance		
required to support council operations.		
Business Continuity Planning is critical	Business Continuity	10
in maintaining operations of Council	Planning	
services. Covid-19 has highlighted the		
importance of good planning, which in		
some areas needs to be reviewed to		
ensure planning recognises the		
extended period of time where core		
council infrastructure may not be		
available.		
Audits previously identified on the		
audit plan now postposed to 2020/21		
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Sickness Monitoring and Management	Postponed to 2021/22	-10
Review of Human Resources Service	Postponed to 2021/22	-15
Food and Safety inspections (Env	Postponed to 2021/22	-10
Health)		
Audit Needs Assessment of IT Days	Use of planned days	-45
Income collection (Debtors)	Amended scope	-10
Net change in audit days		0 days