

5. AUDIT SCOTLAND FOLLOW-UP OF COMPUTER SERVICE REVIEW

The Audit Committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Internal Audit Manager informing the Committee of the outcome of outcome of Audit Scotland's recent follow up of their previous computer service review undertaken in 2006/07.

Neil Robb of Audit Scotland spoke briefly to the report and advised that the issue would be followed up again later in 2010.

The report advised that three out of eight agreed action points had been found to be completed, with the remaining five being progressed. The critical areas were service continuity and the development of an ICT strategy and plans were in place to address those.

The report by Audit Scotland was appended to the report to the Committee, and it included a revised Action Plan with new dates for implementation. The Committee was invited to note the terms of the report.

In response to questions from elected members, it was explained that the information asset register was now finalised, and that ICT strategy was in the course of development, with a timeline established for its completion, and the draft strategy would be examined at the ICT board in January 2010. In relation to the service's own business continuity plan, there was a draft in development as well as a plan to support the council-wide and service areas' business continuity plans.

Decision

1. To note the terms of the report; and
2. To agree that a follow-up report should be brought to the meeting of the Committee in June 2010 to advise of progress made.