

4. INTERNAL AUDIT OF WINTER MAINTENANCE

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Audit, Risk and Counter Fraud Manager informing of the outcome of an internal audit of the controls in place over the delivery of the council's winter maintenance service.

With regards to the Primary Routes noted in table two of appendix B and in particular urban shopping areas and precincts, it was queried whether there was liaison with large retailers within housing estates regarding the clearance of pathways and gritting. Officers advised routes on the adopted road network were cleared, as detailed within the report, and such retailers and businesses would have their own arrangements in place.

In concluding discussion, the committee commented on the introduction of self-help salt piles and informed the service that the provision was welcomed within communities.

It was recommended that the committee note that controls in place were considered to be effective.

Decision

To note the contents of the report.