

REPORT OF THE FINANCE MANAGER

SUBJECT: INTERNAL AUDIT PROVISION

Purpose of Report

To gather members opinion on an extension to the internal audit provisions currently supplied by Gateway Assure

Under Accounting & Audit regulations that govern the Authority it is required to have an internal audit provision. In 2015 the Authority, in conjunction with Beacon Beacons National Park Authority, went out to full market joint tender for the provision of internal audit for a three year period. As a result of this exercise Gateway Assure were appointed the Authority's internal auditors for the financial years 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/8.

Members are requested to consider whether an extension of the contract for internal audit provision with Gateway Assure is merited or whether the Authority should go out to retender. If members are minded to extend the contract then consideration is also requested for a two year extension.

Recommendation

Members are asked to consider and comment on the options for the provision of internal audit services and if so minded to extend the contract with Gateway Assure for a further two years.

Background Documents

None

(For further information, please contact Richard Griffiths)