

Agenda Item No:

Report to: Audit Committee

Date of Meeting: 28th September 2009

Report Title: Museum Extension Contract Recommendations

Report By: Tom Davies
Chief Auditor

Purpose of Report

To inform the committee of progress made on the 5 recommendations of the Internal Audit of Hastings Museum Extension Contract presented to Audit Committee on 29 September 2008

Recommendation(s)

1. That the report be noted

Reasons for Recommendations

At the Audit Committee meeting on 29 September 2008, it was resolved that:-

- (1) The report and management response be noted; and
- (2) A progress report be submitted in approximately six months time to include project management guidelines for all projects undertaken by the Council.

Whilst there is an outstanding action (which is currently in progress) the Council is committed to reporting progress in subsequent Annual Governance Statements.

Background

1. The Chief Auditor carried out a review of the outstanding actions in order to complete the Annual Government Statement 2008-09 presented to the Audit Committee on 29 June 2009 where progress in implementing the recommendations was summarised.
2. A summary of each of the original recommendations from 29 September 2008 is contained in Appendix A. These recommendations and the associated completed actions are key to the effective management of corporate and project risk.

Risk Management

3. The outstanding actions are all now subject to the adoption of a tailored project management method and implementation of an officer training programme.

Wards Affected

None

Area(s) Affected

None

Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness	No
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)	No
Risk Management	Yes
Environmental Issues	No
Economic/Financial Implications	No
Human Rights Act	No
Organisational Consequences	No

Supporting Documents

Appendix A - Summary of progress against Audit Recommendations

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Please note:

Museum Extension Contract Recommendations, Appendix A - could not be published on the Council's website, due to the complex tables that it contains. If required a copy can be obtained by contacting: Emily Horne, Committee Administrator, Tel: 01424 451719 or by emailing: ehorne@hastings.gov.uk