



CORPORATE HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE – 13TH FEBRUARY 2008

SUBJECT: WELSH AUDIT OFFICE REVIEW

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Members, Management and Trade Union Safety Representatives of the recent Welsh Audit Office review with regards to health and safety.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Welsh Audit Office visited the Authority between 23rd and 26th October 2007.
- 2.2 The purpose of the audit was to examine whether the current arrangements for the deliver of the Health and Safety function are sufficiently robust to minimise the identified corporate risks.
- 2.3 As part of the auditing process the Welsh Audit Office auditors interviewed a wide variety of staff across the Authority including Directors, some Heads of Services, Managers and Health and Safety Officers.
- 2.4 The final report from the Welsh Audit Office has not yet been received however the content of the report will be subject to full consultation.
- 2.5 Once the final report has been received from the Welsh Audit Office a further report will be brought to a future meeting of the Corporate Health and Safety Committee for discussion.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 That the contents of the report be noted.

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