

APPENDIX 4

ACTION PLAN NUMBER	GRADE	WEAKNESSES IDENTIFIED	AGREED ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION	REVISED DATE	COMMENT/EXPLANATION
A - GRANT THORNTON 2007-08 AUDIT - INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT							
7	HIGH	<p>Financial Management and Budgetary Control</p> <p>The Council has not yet set out how it will measure and report efficiency savings generated and performance systems are not yet in place to measure outputs and outcomes to support the measurement of efficiency.</p>	<p>The Council should put in place mechanisms to record efficiency savings generated from the plan.</p> <p>Progress against the efficiency savings target should be reported on a regular basis to management and members.</p> <p>Management Response This will be addressed</p>	Head of Strategic Finance	<p>31 December 2008</p> <p>31 August 2009</p>	31 December 2009	The reporting format has still to be formalised.
B - GRANT THORNTON INTERIM MANAGEMENT REPORT 2008-09 (pr yr recs)							
1	MEDIUM	<p>Financial management and budgetary control</p> <p>There is scope to make the linkage between corporate priorities and budget setting more transparent.</p>	<p>The Council should undertake a further review of its budget setting arrangements to better demonstrate how corporate priorities are prioritized within the budget.</p> <p>Planning and budgeting arrangements will be further developed in the coming planning and budgeting exercise.</p> <p>Partially implemented The Council improved the</p>	Head of Strategic Finance	28 February 2009		Awaiting response.

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			process for linking budget setting to corporate priorities. The best value review highlighted actions to further improve budget setting arrangements.				