

**AUDIT SCOTLAND NATIONAL REPORTS TO AUDIT COMMITTEE 2011 - 2012**

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**1. SUMMARY**

In compliance with CIPFA Code of Practice for Internal Audit, on a quarterly basis the Audit Committee receives Audit Scotland reports pertaining to Local Government. The report appended is "The role of community planning partnerships in economic development" The report contains a checklist for which a management response has been provided.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 The contents of this report are noted and will be followed up by Internal Audit.

**3. DETAILS**

3.1 The Audit Scotland report looks at how community planning partnerships (CPPs) operate. CPPs are involved in many activities aimed at supporting their local communities. The Audit Scotland report focuses on one policy area - CPPs' contribution to local economic development in relation to all 32 Councils.

3.2 The report covers the fact that all councils have established a CPP for their area. CPPs are led by councils and involve the NHS, police, fire and rescue services, the enterprise agencies, regional transport partnerships and other local organisations. CPPs are involved in a wide range of activities such as tackling drug and alcohol addiction, reducing anti-social behaviour and improving skills and literacy.

3.3 The report comes with a 20 page supplementary report which provides more detail on the main report. Both reports can either be viewed at [http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/work/local\\_national.php](http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/work/local_national.php) 2011/12 or viewed in the Members Room where a copy is available.

**4. CONCLUSIONS**

This report is submitted to the Audit Committee for consideration.

**5. IMPLICATIONS**

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| 5.1 | Policy:    | None |
| 5.2 | Financial: | None |
| 5.3 | Personnel: | None |
| 5.4 | Legal:     | None |

5.5 Equal Opportunities: None

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