

REPORT TO THE FINAL ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT COMMITTEE		Report No. 7
Date of Meeting	28 January 2008	
Title of Report	Data Quality and Review of BVPP Audit report	
Link to Corporate Priorities	Performance Information relates to all Council priorities	
Public Report	Yes	

<p>Summary of Report</p> <p>To present the audit report for data quality and review of the 2007/08 Best Value Performance Plan.</p>
<p>Officer Recommendations</p> <p>That the report and action plan be noted.</p>

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.				
Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications
None	None	None	None	None

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Data Quality and Review of the 2007/08 Best Value Performance Plan (BVPP) audit was carried out by the Audit Commission to review the Council's arrangements for producing performance information. The report (at appendix 1) provides recommendations for the Council, which are included with responses in the action plan at page 18 of the report.

2. Options and Options Appraisal

- 2.1 Option 1: That the report and action plan be noted.

3. Background Information

- 3.1 The Data Quality and BVPP audit is performed on an annual basis, to provide assurance that the Council has robust arrangements in place to ensure that all performance information is accurate, timely and reliable. The BVPP was also reviewed to ensure that it conformed to statutory guidance and spot checks of data within it were undertaken.
- 3.2 The Council's arrangements for ensuring data quality were deemed adequate with some recommendations and the BVPP passed audit with no recommendations.
- 3.3 Responses and associated actions to the recommendations are detailed in the action plan appended to the report. An updated Data Quality Strategy that reflects the required actions will be presented to a future meeting of this committee.

4. Risk Analysis

- 4.1 If high standards of data quality are not secured then there is a risk that performance information, that is provided to internal and external stallholders, is not accurate timely or reliable. This could impact on decision making and CPA judgements.

Appendices:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data Quality and Review of BVPP Audit report, Audit Commission
Background Documents Used in the Preparation of this Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None

Previous Decisions Connected with this Report

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference
None		