

REPORT TO: IMPROVEMENT AND EFFICIENCY SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT ON: AUDIT SCOTLAND COMPARATIVE INFORMATION 2008/2009 (ADDENDUM)
REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
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1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To update Elected Members on overall performance levels of the Council as a result of a review by Audit Scotland of its previously published information on Council performance rankings.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 Elected Members note the adjustments to overall performance levels which will form the final published information on Council performance rankings in the Annual Performance Report.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Council approved Report 28-2010 at the last meeting of the improvement and Efficiency Sub-Committee. This report was based on the performance information published by Audit Scotland. Subsequently this information was reviewed by Audit Scotland and a number of the original rankings were deleted from the original analysis.

4 OVERALL PERFORMANCE

- 4.1 The number of ranked indicators in the Audit Scotland compendium was reduced from 126 to 94 which is a reduction of 25%. Of the 94 indicators now being ranked 43 of these finished in the Top 16 giving the Council an overall performance rate of 46%. This is a little lower than normal as overall performance has hovered around 50% for a number of years.
- 4.2 As Elected members will be aware for the financial year 2009/2010 self-assessment of performance has been implemented. However, within the self-assessment process there are still a number of indicators which are prescribed by Audit Scotland. A review of these indicators showed overall Top 16 performance of 49% and maintained or improved indicators of 77%.

5 COMPARISON OF TOP 16 FINISHES FOR MAIN CITIES

- 5.1 Applying the same method shows the following statistics for the main cities:-

Dundee	49%
Aberdeen	46%
Edinburgh	53%
Glasgow	42%

6 INTER-CITY FINISHES

6.1 A review of the specified indicators as applied to 2008/2009 revealed the following:-

Dundee	32%
Aberdeen	16%
Edinburgh	32%
Glasgow	19%

This also shows a favourable performance for Dundee City in relation to the other main city authorities.

7 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

7.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

8 CONSULTATION

8.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive and the Assistant Chief Executive have been consulted in the content of this report.

9 BACKGROUND PAPERS

9.1 Report 28-2010 Statutory Performance Indicators 2008/2009 - Comparative Data Audit Scotland Performance Direction 2009/2010.

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