## **AGENDA ITEM C3**

## TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE AUDIT TASK GROUP

- To consider the head of internal audit's annual report and opinion, and a summary of internal audit activity (actual and proposed)
- To consider reports dealing with the management and performance of the providers of internal audit services
- To consider the external auditors annual letter, relevant reports and the report of those charged with governance
- To consider specific reports as agreed with the external auditor.
- To consider summaries of specific internal audit reports, as requested
- To consider a report from internal audit on agreed recommendations not implemented within a reasonable timescale
- To liaise with the Audit Commission over the appointment of the Council's external auditor
- To commission work from internal and external audit
- To comment on the scope and depth of external audit work and to ensure it gives value for money
- To oversee the production of the authority's Statement of Internal Control and to recommend its adoption
- To consider the Council's compliance with its own and other published standards and controls
- To review any issue referred to it by the Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive or the Executive Director of Resources
- To monitor the effective development and operation of risk management and corporate governance in the Council
- To make recommendations to Cabinet