

6. **Summary Internal Controls Assurance (SICA) Report 2021/2022 (TIAA, Chris Harris)**

Synopsis of report:

To inform Members on the progress made to date by TIAA, the Council's internal auditors, on the 2021/2022 Internal Audit Annual Plan.

Recommendation(s):

None. This report is for information.

1. **Context of report**

1.1 Attached at Appendix 'A' is the most recent Summary Internal Controls Assurance (SICA) Report, as at 4 May 2022.

2. **Report**

2.1 The report identifies 5 audits completed since the last meeting of this Committee.

2.2 A further change to the audit programme is the deferment at the client's request of the HR absence management audit.

2.3 Fieldwork is in progress for 9 audits and a verbal update will be provided at the meeting.

2.4 Appendix 'D' (within the appendix) also refers to briefing notes issued by TIAA which can be circulated to Members of the Committee separately, on request. These have been circulated to the Council's Senior Leadership Team.

3. **Resource implications**

3.1 The audit service is budgeted for in the Council's annual budgets, with a small contingency to cover unforeseen audits.

4. **Legal and Equality implications**

4.1 None.

(For information)

Background papers

Relevant Internal Audit working files and reports