

Item No. 21.	Classification: Open	Date: 27 February 2017	Meeting Name: Audit, governance and standards committee
Report title:		Update on Chief Audit Executive	
Ward(s) or groups affected:		All	
From:		Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the audit, governance and standards committee note the change in the council's Chief Audit Executive, effective 20 March 2017.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. The audit, governance and standards committee terms of reference include to receive information on the appointment, departure, resignation or change in chief audit executive.
3. The Chief Audit Executive can be described as:

‘...a person in a senior position responsible for effectively managing the internal audit activity in accordance with the internal audit charter and the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics and the Standards. The Chief Audit Executive or others reporting to the Chief Audit Executive will have appropriate professional certifications and qualifications’.
4. Mike Pinder, the council's Head of Anti-Fraud and Internal Audit, has resigned from the council with an effective date of 20 March 2017. He has confirmed in an e-mail to the Chief Executive, Monitoring Officer and Section 151 Officer that his resignation is to take up the post of Head of Audit and Investigations for the London Borough of Ealing, and also working as a shared service with the London Borough of Hounslow, and that he has no concerns about the support offered to him or the anti-fraud and internal audit service, or about the access/response the service has had across the council.
5. The Strategic Director of Finance and Governance has appointed Jennifer Seeley, Director of Finance to the role of Chief Audit Executive effective 20 March 2017.

Policy implications

6. This report is not considered to have direct policy implications.

Community impact statement

7. This report is not considered to have direct impact on local people and communities.

Resource implications

8. This report is not considered to have direct impact on resource implications.

Consultation

9. Consultation has not been undertaken.

SUPPLEMENTARY ADVICE FROM OTHER OFFICERS

10. None required.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Background Papers	Held At	Contact
None.		

APPENDICES

No.	Title
None.	

AUDIT TRAIL

Lead Officer	Duncan Whitfield, Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	
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CONSULTATION WITH OTHER OFFICERS / DIRECTORATES / CABINET MEMBER		
Officer Title	Comments sought	Comments included
Strategic Director of Finance and Governance	Yes	Yes
Director of Law and Democracy	No	No
Cabinet Member	No	No
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