BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO AUDIT COMMITTEE

5th March 2008

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

WALES AUDIT OFFICE RELATIONSHIP MANAGER'S DRAFT REGULATORY PLAN

1. Purpose of Report.

The purpose of this report is to bring to the Committee's attention the Wales Audit Office Relationship Manager's Regulatory Plan (draft) attached. The Committee is requested to act as consultees in respect of this document and provide views regarding its contents.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.

The Regulatory Plan sets out the areas of work that the Wales Audit Office and appointed auditors (KPMG) will cover in the next twelve months. This work will influence the Council's Improvement Plan

3. Background.

The Regulatory Plan is published annually and has statutory status. The Council is expected to take note of any recommendations made as a result of the work carried out under this Plan. The Plan also outlines the fees to be charged by the Wales Audit Office for 2008/9.

4. Current situation / proposal.

The work being proposed in the Plan covers the following areas:

- 1. Financial Accounts
- 2. Arrangements for securing value for money
- 3. Auditing the Improvement Plan
- 4. Risk based performance audit
- 5. Performance inspections
- 6. Local government studies
- 7. Other Wales Audit Office work
- 8. Other Regulatory activity
- 9. Certification of grant claims and returns

5. Effect upon Policy Framework& Procedure Rules.

The output of the Regulatory Plan can lead to changes in Policy Frameworks and Procedure rules.

6. Legal Implications.

None at this stage.

7. Financial Implications.

None at this stage

8. Recommendation.

The Committee is recommended to provide its observations on the document.

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Background documents

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