WEST MIDLANDS FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY

AUDIT COMMITTEE

<u>31st MARCH, 2008</u>

1. AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2008/09

Report of the Clerk

RECOMMENDED

THAT the Committee approve the updated work programme for 2008/09.

2. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This report sets out the Committee's updated work programme for 2008/09.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) guidelines for Audit Committees suggest that one meeting annually should be used to set a programme of work for the year ahead. The Committee at its inaugural meeting on 28th January, 2008, approved a work programme.
- 3.2 Some minor amendments have been made to the work programme which is re-circulated for information and comment.

4. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

In preparing this report an initial Equality Impact Assessment is not required and has not been carried out. The matters contained in this report will not lead to and/or do not relate to a policy change.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

The Authority is not required by law to appoint an Audit Committee, but this course of action has been taken in line with guidance from CIPFA.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct resource implications arising from this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Audit Committees – Practical Guidance for Local Authorities (CIPFA)

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