

## AUDIT COMMITTEE - 17 July 2017

<b>Title of paper:</b>	EMSS Annual Report 2016/2017	
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<b>Recommendation(s):</b>		
<b>1</b>	Note the Head of Internal Audit's opinion contained within the EMSS Annual Report 2016/2017 attached as Exempt Appendix 1 to this Report.	

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### **1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1.1 This Committee's Terms of Reference include receiving reports on the work undertaken by Nottingham City Internal Audit for EMSS. Consequently and in accordance with an agreed protocol Appendix 1 contains the EMSS annual report which includes the annual opinion of the Head of Internal Audit.

### **2 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Nottingham City Council and Leicestershire County Council formed a partnership (EMSS) in 2011 to deliver HR, payroll and finance transactional shared services. Both organisations agreed that Nottingham City Internal Audit would provide the internal audit services to EMSS.

### **3 BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING EXEMPT OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

- 3.1 None.

### **4 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT**

- 4.1 None.

