Appendix A Internal Audit Reports (Recently Issued)

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Project 71. Working Time Directive (Report issued June 2014)

Recommendation	Agreed Action	Status	Progress Bar	Original Due Date of Action	Actual Due Date of Action	Assigned To	Note
1. WTD Opt Out form not signed Employees who may approach or exceed 48 hours a week (17 week average) must be asked to complete an opt-out form in order that they can work over 48 hours per week (High risk)	Those carers who have two contracts which exceed 48 hours, for those managers have undertaken the completion of opt-forms with HR.		100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.
must introduce procedures to identify staff with more than 1 job, with or including	Work has been undertaken with HR to identify staff with dual contacts with the Council and NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde. We have agreed an approach with HR in	>	100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.

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other employees they consider are likely to approach or exceed 48 hours per week regularly (Medium Risk)	relation to staff that has a job out with the Council or Health. Lead/dominated manager identified to have responsibility for each worker.						
3. Weakness in procedure for correct rate of pay for staff with more than 1 jobs Procedures should be introduced to ensure that there is a double check that the hourly rate of pay is correct, for employees with more than 1 job with WDC, before data is passed to the payroll section (Medium Risk)	Home Help Organiser/Co-ordinator signs off hourly rate for all sessional or work paid at a higher rate.		100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.
4. Overpayment identified Homecare Management should recover the overpayments of £223.43. £43.54 overpaid in relation to wrong rates of pay and £179.89 overpaid in relation to overlapping hours between two different WDC jobs (Medium Risk)	£223.43 is being recovered.		100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.
5. Attendance Record is not updated with annual leave taken Employee Attendance Records must accurately reflect when an employee has not done any work and annual leave days taken so that regulations relating to minimum leave days can be monitored taking into account other employments	CHCP Managers will query this with HR.		100%	31-Jul-2014	31-Jul-2014	Lynne McKnight	Staff have been instructed that attendance record cards must reflect accurately whether the employee was on leave, taking account of other employments. This will be spot checked by the Service Managers.

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(Medium Risk)							
6. Breaches with Working Time Directive Procedures should be introduced to test check that the employees are not breaching the WTD in relation to: · Average hours worked per week (no opt-out form signed). · Rest periods between shifts. · 24 hours rest in a seven day period (Medium Risk)	The service has recently purchase a new scheduling system which will flag when someone has reached or is reaching 48 hours. The system will also highlight if someone is working seven days. The system will report this information to the line supervisor and a senior manager. In the meantime two Care at Home Coordinators are carrying out regular spot checks.		100%	31-Aug-2014	31-Aug-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.
7. Employees are not monitoring compliance with WTD Employees should be reminded of their own obligation, under the Homecare Induction Handbook, to monitor their adherence to the WTD (Low Risk)	This has been raised at team meetings and staffs were asked to sign a declaration that they understand.		100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.
that there are no employees working an average (over 3	Exercise was undertaken and reported back to the Integrated Operations Manager broken down by patch.		100%	30-Jun-2014	30-Jun-2014	Lynne McKnight	Complete.

9. Value for money Homecare Management should assess if value for money is obtained by paying overtime hours to the employees who work abnormally high hours per week (Low Risk)	Review of overtime underway. Use of peripatetic and bank staff whilst being mindful of consistency in line with the national care standards and the Care Inspectorate. The service is working towards minimising work paid at premium rates.		100%	31-Jul-2014	31-Jul-2014	Lynne McKnight	In conjunction with HR, a short life working group has been set up, and based on issues identified, actions agreed as follows: Overtime costs to be highlighted at team meetings in relation to budgetary pressures Examine all cover situations in terms of cost, quality, consistency and speed of response Regular weekly overtime reports to be examined Complete recruitment exercise for SVQ college students from West of Scotland to provide holiday cover, and term time sessional work Progressing pilot of CM2000 scheduling system, which optimizes selection of appropriate cover staff taking account of weighted criteria including hours worked Ensure compliance with working time directive Any service delivery incurring double time payments to be signed off by appropriate Service Manager Extend pool of bank staff Extension of peripatetic staff, with appropriate training to cover all areas within home care – including sheltered housing, community alarms
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Project 72. Council Tax Collection & Refunds (Report issued September 2014)

Recommendation	Agreed Action	Status	Progress Bar	Original Due Date of Action	Actual Due Date of Action	Assigned To	Note
1. Transfers Between Accounts Are Not Authorised It is recommended that a proper authorisation process is put in place. As a minimum a monthly test should be carried out on the transfers between accounts on a sample basis by authorised personnel (Medium Risk)	A 10% audit check will be carried out for transfers between accounts.		100%	30-Sep-2014	30-Sep-2014	Marion Smith	Complete.
2. Council Tax Collection & Refunds Risk Register It is recommended that a risk register is developed by carrying out an analysis on what the risks and opportunities are for the Council Tax collections and refunds and linking these with business continuity plans for the Council Tax systems (Medium Risk).	Draft Risk register developed and business continuity plans are being developed for Council Tax		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Marion Smith	On track.

Project 73. Housing Tenancy Transfers, Terminations & Mutual Exchanges (report Issued September 2014)

Recommendation	Agreed Action	Status	Progress Bar	Original Due Date of Action	Actual Due Date of Action	Assigned To	Note
1. Repossessions - Documentation Not Signed All documentation relating to repossessions should be signed where appropriate including file copies of documents issued to tenants (Medium Risk)	An instruction will be issued reminding staff of the significance of signing and dating important documentation.		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
2. New Lets Secure Tenancy Agreement The date of the signing of the Secure Tenancy Agreement should always be documented providing evidence of the date the event took place (Medium Risk)	An instruction will be issued reminding staff of the significance of signing and dating important documentation.		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
3. Mutual Exchanges - Notification of Decision Outwith Time Limit Housing Officers should ensure that decisions are made for Mutual Exchanges within the statutory 28 day period to ensure compliance with legislative requirements (Medium Risk)	An instruction will be issued to staff advising of the legal obligations of issuing decision letters within the 28 day limit.		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
4. Clydebank Filing System The action points contained within the Health & Safety Report should be considered in order to reduce the risks associated with the issues which currently exist within the filing room at Clydebank (Medium Risk)	The Head of Housing & Community Safety will lead in initial discussion with relevant Heads of Service to address the issues contained in the report.		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Helen Turley	On track.

5. Transfers Non filing of Documentation All documentation should be fully completed, signed and dated and filed appropriately in the house files (Low Risk)	that all documentation is present when tenant	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron; Janice Lockhart	On track.
6. Transfers New Tenant Visit Checklist Housing Officers should ensure that that documentation is signed and dated appropriately by themselves and the tenant where required (Low Risk)	Instructions will be issued to ensure that all documentation is signed and dated by Housing Officers and Tenants where appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
7. Terminations Staff should ensure that documentation is witnessed and signed appropriately (Low Risk)	Processes are currently under review, however in the interim, an instruction will be issued to ensure that all documentation is signed and dated where appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron; Janice Lockhart	On track.
8. Repossessions - Documentation Not Held All appropriate documentation should be retained on file as evidence of issue and/or completion (low risk)	Instructions will be issued reminding staff that all documentation should be held on file as appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
9. New Lets Documentation Not Held All documentation should be fully completed, signed and dated and retained appropriately within the files (Low Risk)	Action will be taken by both Estate Management and Allocations to ensure that all documentation is present when tenant files are created.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron; Janice Lockhart	On track.

	An instruction will be issued reminding staff of the significance of signing and dating documentation.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
11. Mutual Exchanges Signing of Wrong Application Housing Officers should ensure that the Mutual Exchange application forms are fully completed, signed and dated by the applicants as appropriate (Low Risk)	An instruction will be issued reminding staff that they ensure that tenants sign the correct documentation.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
inspection and noting the general condition of the property, the Housing Officer should ensure that	An instruction will be issued reminding staff that documentation should be signed by themselves and tenants where appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
Itonante chould be held on	Instructions will be issued to ensure that all important documentation is held on file.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
	documentation is fully completed, signed and	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.

signed and dated by the Housing Officer (Low Risk)						
15. Mutual Exchanges Termination Form Not Signed Housing Officers should ensure that all important documentation issued to tenants is fully completed, signed and dated as appropriate (Low Risk)	An instruction will be issued reminding staff that tenants should sign and date documentation where appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
16. Mutual Exchanges File Copy Not Signed The file copies of the documentation issued to tenants should be signed by the issuing Housing Officer (Low Risk)	An instruction will be issued reminding staff that file copies of all documentation issued to tenants should be signed and thereafter held on file.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
17. Mutual Exchanges Incomplete Files Housing officers should ensure that all documentation for Mutual Exchanges is completed and retained on file as evidence that procedures have been carried out appropriately (Low Risk)	An instruction will be issued to staff advising that files should contain all documentation as appropriate.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Andy Cameron	On track.
18. Transfers Completion of Documents The Maintenance Officer should ensure that all documents are fully completed, signed and dated before being passed to the Allocations Section (Low Risk)	Officers will be reminded and briefed on the requirement to sign all necessary documents used to carry out their duties. The process will be reviewed and if amended, reinserted into the Maintenance &Repair Officer's employee manual.	0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Martin Feeney	On track.

19. New Lets Documentation Not Signed The Maintenance Officer should ensure that all documents are fully completed, signed and dated before being passed to the Allocations Section (Low Risk)	Officers will be reminded and briefed on the requirement to fully complete all necessary documents used to carry out their duties. The process will be reviewed and if amended, reinserted into the Maintenance &Repair Officer's employee manual.		0%	31-Oct-2014	31-Oct-2014	Martin Feeney	On track.
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