

NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – 24 JUNE 2010

Title of report	AUDIT COMMISSION – ABOLITION OF COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT (CAA)
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Purpose of report	To inform Members of the abolition of the Audit Commission “Comprehensive Area Assessment”.
Reason for Decision	To inform members of an important national policy change.
Strategic aims	Organisational Development.
Implications:	
Financial/Staff	This should provide additional capacity within the Council.
Link to relevant CAT	None.
Risk Management	Not applicable.
Equalities Impact Assessment	Not required.
Human Rights	None identified.
Transformational Government	Not applicable.
Consultees	None.
Background papers	None.
Recommendations	THAT THE REPORT BE NOTED.

1.0 The attached letter from the Audit Commission indicates that the process of inspection known as Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA) has now been abolished. This will reduce the work the Council is required to do to meet the requirements of this inspection process.

2.0 It is not clear at this stage if new arrangements will be put in place, or if the Council's audit fee will be reduced.