

audit and inspection 2004/05

Progress statement as at July 2005  
for the audit and inspection programme 2004/2005

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council

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**Bury MBC programme 2004/2005: Work in progress**

| Audit and Inspection Activity 2004/2005: Position as at 15 July 2005   |  |  |
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| Work description   | Work due by  | Comment on progress  |
| <b>Planning</b><br>Preparation of audit and inspection programme   | September 2004   | Plan was delayed until results of corporate assessment were known. Some work progressed in the interim with the agreement of officers. Plan presented to November 2004 Audit Committee.  |
| <b>Inspection</b><br>Environmental services whole service inspection   | October 2004   | Inspection focused on waste collection management and street scene found services were good and there were promising prospects for improvement.  |
| <b>Best value</b><br>Best Value Performance indicators 2004 (BVPIs)  | 6 September 2004   | Good preparation of BVPIs noted. Some BVPIs were changed by small amounts but no qualifications were necessary.  |
| <b>IT</b><br>Review IT developments and new financial systems  | December 2004  | Detailed work undertaken on IT developments at Bury:<br>-project management<br>-financial system transfer arrangements<br>-E government programme.<br>Report and action plan accepted by Director of Finance and E Government. |
| <b>CPA improvement reporting</b><br>Review progress of the improvement agenda at Bury to support the CPA scorecard | CPA scorecard 16 December 2004. Improvement report, incorporated in Annual Letter January 2005 | Annual Audit and Inspection Letter 2004 presented to this Audit Committee meeting.   |
| <b>User focus</b><br>A review of your focus on users and how you achieve this                                      | November 2004  | Similar work is being undertaken elsewhere and good practice is to be shared. Agreed report on this agenda.  |
| <b>Treasury management, Prudential Code</b><br>Review arrangements of both aspects                                 | October 2004   | Work supported auditor judgements 2004. Good practices found.  |
| <b>Home to school transport</b>  | December 2004 / January 2005   | Good practice from other authorities have been collated and shared with Bury MBC officers. Draft report to be issued shortly.  |
| <b>Performance review</b>  | Until October 2005   | Ongoing review of improvement programme.   |
| <b>Final accounts 2004/2005</b>  | 31 October 2005  | Audit planning in progress; pre audit statements on this agenda. Early work has been undertaken.   |
| <b>Financial aspects of corporate governance</b>   | 31 October 2005  | Ongoing work in progress   |