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AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

25 April 2017

EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE

Report of the Director for Resources

Strategic Aim: All			
Exempt Information		No	
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee notes the update from the external auditors, KPMG LLP

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To update the Committee on external audit matters for 2016/17.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The report from the external auditors in Appendix 1 outlines progress on the audit for 16/17. The auditors will update the Committee at the meeting on the outcome of their interim audit.
- 2.2 The report highlights a range of national studies completed that the Committee may find interesting.

3 CONSULTATION

3.1 No formal consultation is required.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

4.1 The Committee is asked to note the report. There are no alternatives.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report but the Committee should note that the audit fee remains the same as last year.

6 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

The Audit and Risk Committee is responsible for receiving the reports of external audit, acting on any relevant matters and approving of the Statement of Accounts.

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has not been completed as this report does not impact on Council policies and procedures.

8 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no community safety implications.

9 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications.

10 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 It is important that the Committee understand the approach and outcome of external audit work.

11 BACKGROUND PAPERS

11.1 There are no additional background papers to the report.

12 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – External Audit Progress Report 2016/17

A Large Print or Braille Version of this Report is available upon request – Contact 01572 722577.