

Governance & Audit Committee

Item 8

22 November 2016

Report of Assistant Chief Executive Author Steve Heath

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Title Annual Audit Letter

Wards affected

Not applicable

The Committee is invited to consider and note the contents of the 2015/16 Annual Audit Letter

1. Action required

1.1 To consider and note the contents of the 2015/16 Annual Audit Letter.

2. Reason for decision

2.1 The Accounts and Audit Regulations require the Council to consider the Annual Audit Letter.

3. Supporting information

3.1 The 2015/16 Annual Audit Letter summarises the conclusions and significant issues arising from Ernst & Young's 2015/16 audit of the council, and the way the Council uses its resources.

4. Strategic Plan references

4.1 The objectives and priorities of the Strategic Plan informed all stages of the budget process for 2015/16.

5. Publicity considerations

5.1 The Annual Audit Letter has been publicised on the Council's website, and a hard copy of the document is available at Council offices in line with statutory requirements.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There were no financial implications arising from the audit fees, which were in line with the budgeted amounts.

7. Other Standard References

7.1 Having considered equality, diversity and human rights, health and safety, community safety and risk management implications, there are none that are significant to the matters in this report.