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Title	Audit Plan and Annual Audit & Certification Fees		
Wards affected	Not applicable		

The accompanying reports from Ernst & Young sets out their Audit Plan for the financial year ending 31 March 2016, and Audit and Certification Fees for 2016/17

1. Action required

- 1.1 To consider and note the contents of the Audit Plan for year ending 31 March 2016.
- 1.2 To consider and note the indicative audit and certification fees for 2016/17.

2. Reason for scrutiny

- 2.1 The Accounts and Audit Regulations require the Council to review the proposed audit approach and scope for the 2016 audit.
- 2.2 To ensure that the audit is aligned with the Committee's service expectations.

3. Supporting information

- 3.1 The Audit Plan for year ending 31 March 2016 summarises the Auditor's assessment of the key risks facing the Council's financial statements, and outlines the planned audit strategy in response to those risks.
- 3.2 The Audit and Certification fees letter confirms the work that the auditors propose to undertake for the 2016/17 financial year.

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. Other Standard References

- 5.1 Having considered financial implications, publicity, 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.

Attached Documents:

Audit Plan for year ending 31 March 2016 – **Appendix A**

Annual Audit and Certification Fees 2016/17 – **Appendix B**