

EXTERNAL AUDIT ANNUAL AUDIT LETTER

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SUMMARY

This is a covering report to EY's Annual Audit Letter which provides a summary of the expected conclusions from their audit work undertaken for the year ended 31 March 2017.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee is asked to note the report.

INFORMATION

The letter identifies the key areas of EY's audit work over the year, their findings in each area and the focus of their work going forward:

1. The Council's Financial Statements (including the Pension Fund) – an unqualified opinion on the Council's accounts for the year ended 31 March 2017 was issued.
2. Value for Money conclusion – it was concluded that the Council has put in place proper arrangements to secure value for money in the use of resources.
3. Whole of Government Accounts – it was reported to the National Audit Office that the consolidated return was consistent with the statutory accounts.
4. Grants Certification – there will be a separate letter on grant certification issued to Audit Committee at the start of 2018.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal implications arising from this report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

EY Annual Audit Letter