

# Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee

## External Audit Results Report

18 September 2013

### Report of the Interim Head of Finance and Procurement

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To allow Members to consider the Ernst and Young LLP Results Report which includes comments on the audit of the 2012/13 Statement of Accounts.

This report is public

#### Recommendations

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The Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee is recommended: to:

- (1) Consider the matters raised in the report before approving the 2012/13 financial statements and recommending to Council.
- (2) Note of the adjustments to the financial statements set out in this report
- (3) Approve the letter of representation on behalf of the Council as set out in the appendix.

#### Executive Summary

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- 1.1 The draft Audit Results report is attached in Appendix 1. The Auditor's opinion of the financial statements relate to the Statement of Accounts, adopted by this Committee in June 2013.
- 1.2 It is expected at the time of writing this report that the Council will receive an unqualified opinion on the 2012/13 financial statements.
- 1.3 Officers and Members can be rightly proud of the successful outcomes delivered as a result of the 2012/13 Closedown process. The quality of the 2012/13 Financial Statements and areas of continued improvement support this.

#### Implications

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**Financial:** There are no financial effects arising from this report.

Comments checked by Nicola Jackson, Corporate Finance Manager 01295 221731.

**Legal:** There are no legal implications arising from this report.

Comments checked by Nicola Jackson, Corporate Finance Manager 01295 221731.

**Risk Management:** There are no risk issues arising from this report.

Comments checked by Nicola Jackson, Corporate Finance Manager 01295 221731.

### Wards Affected

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### Document Information

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Appendix No	Title
Appendix 1	Audit Results Report
Background Papers	
None	
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