# **Cherwell District Council**

## **Accounts Audit and Risk Committee**

# 25 January 2017

**External Audit: Progress Report 2016/17** 

# **Report of the Chief Finance Officer**

This report is public

# Purpose of report

To receive Ernst Young's verbal progress report summarising their audit work to date.

## 1.0 Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to note:

• the contents of the 2016/17 progress report

## 2.0 Introduction

2.1 External Audit undertakes its work in line with their Audit Plan issued in March 2016.

# 3.0 Report Details

3.1 External Audit is on track to deliver its planned programme of work for the 2016/17 year.

## 4.0 Conclusion and Reasons for Recommendations

4.1 The Accounts, Audit and Risk Committee needs to consider the external auditor's report.

## 5.0 Consultation

None

# 6.0 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

6.1 The following alternative options have been identified and rejected for the reasons as set out below.

Option 1: To request further information from the External Auditor.

# 7.0 Implications

# **Financial and Resource Implications**

7.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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# **Legal Implications**

7.2 There are no legal implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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# **Risk Management Implications**

7.3 There are no risk implications arising directly from any outcome of this report.

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## **Equality and Diversity**

7.4 There are no equality and diversity implications arising out of this report.

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## 8.0 Decision Information

#### **Wards Affected**

All wards are affected

#### **Links to Corporate Plan and Policy Framework**

All corporate plan themes.

# **Lead Councillor**

None

# **Document Information**

| Appendix No       | Title  |
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| None              |  |
| Background Papers |  |
| None              |  |
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