

## **External Audit Plan for 2018/19**

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### **Purpose of the report**

1. This report introduces Grant Thornton's Audit Plan for reviewing the Council's 2018/19 financial statements and our arrangements for securing value for money.

### **Recommendations**

2. The Audit Committee is asked to:
  - (a) Note the Audit Plan for 2018/19.

### **Introduction**

3. The Audit Plan is included within the remit of the Audit Committee under its terms of reference as follows:

“To consider and note the annual external Audit Plan and fees”.

### **The Audit Plan**

4. The plan provides an overview of the planned scope and timings, the audit approach and methodology to be used in respect of the 2018/19 audit.

### **Financial Implications**

5. A budget of £52,750 is allocated in 2018/19 to fund this work. The estimated fees outlined by Grant Thornton are £47,841 including grant certification.

### **Background Papers**

None