

**TO: GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE
25TH MARCH 2020**

**EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN
DIRECTOR: FINANCE**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To enable the Council's External Auditor to present to the Committee the Audit plan covering the 2019/20 financial year.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **The Committee notes the Audit plan for the 2019/20 financial year.**

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 To ensure that the Committee is aware of the External Audit approach for the year 2019/20.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 4.1 None available.

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 5.1 The Council's External Auditor Ernst and Young has provided the Committee a report setting out its planned approach to the annual audit for 2019/20. Andrew Brittain, Director, Ernst and Young will attend the meeting to present the report and answer questions.

6 ADVICE RECEIVED FROM STATUTORY AND OTHER OFFICERS

Borough Solicitor

- 6.1 Nothing to add to the report.

Borough Treasurer

- 6.2 Nothing to add to the report.

Equalities Impact Assessment

- 6.3 Not applicable

Strategic Risk Management Issues

- 6.4 None arising from this report.

Other Officers

- 6.5 Not applicable

7 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

- 7.1 Not applicable

Unrestricted

Background Papers

BFC Audit Planning Report – Ernst & Young Report

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