

TO: GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE
24 JANUARY 2012

**EXTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2011/12
Borough Treasurer**

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To note the External Audit Plan for 2011/12.

2 RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 **That the Governance and Audit Committee notes the External Audit Plan for 2011/12.**

3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

3.1 To advise the Committee of District Audit's planned work with regard to the 2011/12 audit of accounts and value for money conclusion.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 None

5 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

5.1 Attached to this report is the External Audit Plan for 2011/12. The District Auditor, Helen Thompson, will attend the meeting of the Committee and will present and answer questions on the plan.

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 There are no equalities issues arising from this report.

Strategic Risk Management Issues

6.4 The External Audit Plan for 2011/12 takes account of the District Auditor's assessment of the risks facing the Council. Some of these, such as public spending pressures, are also included in the Council's Strategic Risk Register.

7 CONSULTATION

Principal Groups Consulted

7.1 Council officers.

Method of Consultation

7.2 Circulation of the draft plan and internal meetings.

Representations Received

7.3 Included in the attached plan.

Background Papers

None

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