

**CERTIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND RETURNS ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17  
BOROUGH TREASURER**

**1 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To enable the Council's External Auditor to present to the Committee their report on the result of the grant claims audit for 2016/17.

**2 RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 **That the Committee notes the External Auditor's Annual Report on grant claims and returns for 2016/17.**

**3 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 To ensure that the Committee is aware of the results of the grant claims audit for 2016/17.

**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 findings in respect of the audit of grant claims for the 2016/17 financial year. Helen Thompson, 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

Background Papers

None

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