
REPORT TO THE GOVERNANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE
MEETING ON: 19 November 2015

Status: For Information
Title: Annual Audit Letter
Originator: Section 151 Officer and Finance Services Manager
Where from: KPMG LLP
Where to next: N/A

1 Outcome Sought from Committee

1.1 To discuss and note the Annual Audit Letter from KPMG LLP.

2 Background

2.1 The Annual Audit Letter at Appendix A, confirms the work undertaken by the external auditors for Harborough District Council over the last twelve months along with the outcomes and the fees charged.

3 Points for Consideration

3.1 The Annual Audit Letter is issued relating to the financial year, in this case the financial year was 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015. There will be a report issued once completion of the certification of all grants and returns is completed in early 2016.

3.2 Additional fees of £3k were charged to complete the work on the Financial statements and provide an opinion.

4 Equality Impact Assessment

4.1 Not Applicable

5 Conclusions

5.1 An unqualified conclusion on the Council's arrangements to secure value for money (VFM conclusion) for the 2014/15 year was issued on 29th September 2015. This means that the external auditors are satisfied that the Council has proper arrangements for securing financial resilience and challenging how it secures economy, efficiency and productivity.

Previous report(s): N/A

Information Issued Under Sensitive Issue Procedure: N

Ward Members Notified: N

Appendices: *list any appendices here including title and filename in brackets (e.g. Performance Data 2010 (perfddata.doc)).*

A. Annual Audit Letter