



AGENDA ITEM: 9

AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE:
28th January 2014

Report of: Borough Treasurer

Relevant Managing Director: Managing Director (People and Places)

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SUBJECT: GRANT THORNTON UPDATE REPORT

Wards affected: Borough Wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To receive details of Grant Thornton's progress in delivering their responsibilities as our external auditors as well as an update on emerging national issues.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the update report be considered and that any questions on it be raised with the Grant Thornton representatives who will be attending the meeting.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 Details on our external auditor's work plan have been reported to this Committee at a previous meeting. This update report provides details on the progress that has been made against this plan to date.

4.0 CURRENT ISSUES

4.1 The Grant Thornton update report is included in the appendix. Members are invited to consider this report and raise any questions with the Grant Thornton representatives who will be present at the meeting.

5.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS/COMMUNITY STRATEGY

5.1 There are no significant sustainability impacts associated with this report and, in particular, no significant impact on crime and disorder. The report has no significant links with the Sustainable Community Strategy.

6.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

6.1 The work that our External Auditors undertake is an integral part of the Council's control framework and provides assurance to Members that the Council is operating effectively.

Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

Equality Impact Assessment

The decision does not have any direct impact on members of the public, employees, elected members and / or stakeholders. Therefore no Equality Impact Assessment is required.

Appendix

Appendix – Grant Thornton Update Report