



## AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

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**Report of:** Borough Treasurer

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**SUBJECT: GRANT THORNTON - PROGRESS REPORT AND SECTOR UPDATE**

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Wards affected: Borough wide

### **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To receive an update from our External Auditors on a range of different matters.

### **2.0 RECOMMENDATION**

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

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### **3.0 BACKGROUND**

3.1 Our external auditors have asked for the document contained in the appendix to be included on the agenda for this meeting so that Members may give it due consideration.

### **4.0 PROGRESS REPORT**

4.1 The Grant Thornton progress report sets out their progress in delivering their responsibilities against their audit plan as well as a range of other matters.

4.2 Representatives of Grant Thornton will present this document at the Committee meeting and will be able to answer any questions that Members may have on its content.

## **5.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no significant sustainability impacts associated with this report and, in particular, no significant impact on crime and disorder.

## **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.

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### **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.

### **Appendices**

Appendix – Grant Thornton - Progress Report and Sector Update