

Agenda Item No:

Report to: Audit Committee

Date of Meeting: 22 March 2010

Report Title: Audit of Accounts 2008/09 - Change to final audit fee

Report By: Tom Davies
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Purpose of Report

To inform the audit committee that the audit fee for the audit of the 2008/09 accounts should be increased by £4,000 because of additional work completed in auditing the Council's financial systems for the 2008/09 year.

Recommendation(s)

1. That the contents of the letter are noted.

Reasons for Recommendations

To comply with auditing standards where there is a variance between the original fee proposed and a revised one. The overall fee for Hastings Borough Council still remains well below the expected scale fee.

Introduction

1. Please see attached letter from the External Auditor.

Wards Affected

None

Area(s) Affected

None

Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

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| Equalities and Community Cohesiveness | No |
| Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17) | No |
| Risk Management | No |
| Environmental Issues | No |
| Economic/Financial Implications | Yes |
| Human Rights Act | No |
| Organisational Consequences | No |

Background Information

None

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