

Report to: Audit Committee

Date of Meeting: 14 March 2019

Report Title: External Audit Plan - Year ending 31 March 2019

Report By: Tom Davies
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Purpose of Report

To inform members of Grant Thornton's audit plan for the audit of the Council's accounts and Value for Money arrangements. The attached report from Grant Thornton highlights the risk based approach to the audit and the main risks they have identified. It also shows the proposed audit fees.

Recommendation(s)

1. To accept the External Auditor's Audit Plan.

Reasons for Recommendations

The Audit Committee, as required by the Constitution, receives and notes the External Auditor's Audit Plan on behalf of the Council.

Introduction

1. This plan summarises the proposed audit work for the year for Hastings Borough Council. It highlights the significant risks that impact on the audit and details the planned work in response to those risks. It also provides a timetable for key outputs of the work undertaken.
2. The plan shows the proposed audit fees.
3. The plan is attached at Appendix A of this report.

Wards Affected

None

Policy Implications

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

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness	No
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)	No
Risk Management	Yes
Environmental Issues	No
Economic/Financial Implications	Yes
Human Rights Act	No
Organisational Consequences	No
Local People's Views	No
Anti-Poverty	No

Additional Information

Appendix A - External Audit Plan - Year ended 31 March 2019

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