Report to: Audit Committee

Date of Meeting: 21 January 2021

Report Title: External Audit Findings Report

Report By: Peter Grace

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Purpose of Report

To communicate the changes to the External Audit Plan and the key findings reviewed to date.

Recommendation(s)

1. **That the Audit Committee accepts the report.**

Reasons for Recommendations

Changes to the External Audit Plan were necessary due to the pandemic.

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Background

External Audit management are in the process of reviewing the findings from the audit fieldwork carried out. The pandemic has impacted on their audit plan. Allowing a few extra days for the review will enable them to provide more detailed information and inform the committee of the results where the work has been completed.

A senior manager from Grant Thornton is expected to attend the meeting.

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

External Audit Findings Report to follow in advance of the committee meeting-.

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