

## Audit and Governance Committee

7<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Report of the Deputy Chief Executive/ Director of Customer & Corporate Services

# Mazars Audit Update Report

### Summary

1. The paper attached at Annex A from Mazars, the Council's external auditors, reports on progress in delivering their responsibilities as auditors.

## Background

- 2. The report covers:
  - a) A summary of audit progress
  - b) Meeting the challenges of earlier deadlines
  - c) Housing Benefit Subsidy certification
  - d) Wider update and national publications

# Consultation

3. The Plan has been consulted on with the relevant responsible officers within the Customer & Corporate Services Directorate prior to it being reported to those members charged with governance at the council.

### Options

4. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

### Analysis

5. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

### **Council Plan**

6. This report contributes to the overall effectiveness of the council's governance and assurance arrangements contributing to an 'Effective Organisation'.

#### Implications

7. There are no implications to this report.

#### **Risk Management**

8. Not relevant for the purpose of the report

#### Recommendations

9. Members are asked to:

a) note the matters set out in the Progress report presented by Mazars;

<u>Reason</u> To ensure Members are aware of Mazars progress in delivering their responsibilities as external auditors.

### **Contact Details**

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Report Approved

Date

# **Specialist Implications Officers**

Wards Affected: Not applicable

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

# **Background Papers:**

None

Annexes Mazars CYC Audit Update Report February 2018