

Audit and Governance Committee

5th April 2017

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

Mazars Audit Progress 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) Audit Progress
 - b) Follow up of Public Interest Report recommendations
 - c) National publications and other updates

Summary of Audit Progress

3. This section of the report updates Members on:
 - a) 2016/17 audit planning
 - b) Issues arising
 - c) Changes in the audit team
 - d) Follow up of Public Interest Report recommendations

National Publications and other updates

4. This section of the report updates Members on key issues emerging from recent national publications, including:
 - a) Health & Social Care Integration, National Audit Office, February 2017
 - b) Housing in England, overview, National Audit Office, January 2017

- c) Auditor General Guidance Note, National Audit Office, December 2016
- d) Oversight of Audit Quality, quarterly compliance reports 2016/17, Public Sector Appointments Ltd.

Consultation

- 5. 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

- 6. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Analysis

- 7. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

Council Plan

- 8. This report contributes to the overall effectiveness of the council's governance and assurance arrangements.

Implications

- 9. There are no implications to this report.

Risk Management

- 10. Not relevant for the purpose of the report

Recommendations

- 11. Members are asked to:
 - a) note the matters set out in the Progress report presented by Mazars;

Reason

To ensure Members are aware of Mazars progress in delivering their responsibilities as external auditors.

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**Report
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Specialist Implications Officers

Wards Affected: Not applicable

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

None

Annexes

Annex A - Mazars CYC Audit Progress Report April 2017