

#### Audit and Governance Committee

5 December 2018

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

#### Mazars Annual Audit Letter 2017/18

#### Summary

1. The paper attached at Annex A from Mazars – the Council's external auditors – summarises the outcome of their audit of the Council's 2017/18 annual accounts and their work on the value for money conclusion.

# Background & Analysis

- 2. The report covers:
  - a) Audit of financial statements
  - b) VFM Conclusion
  - c) Other reporting responsibilities
  - d) Fees

# Options

3. Not relevant for the purpose of the report.

# **Corporate Priorities**

4. The report contributes to the overall effectiveness of the Council's governance and assurance arrangements.

# Implications

5. There are no financial, HR, equalities, legal, crime and disorder, IT or property implications arising from this report.

# **Risk Management**

6. The Council will fail to comply with legislative and best practice

requirements to provide for a proper audit of the Council if it does not consider this report.

#### Recommendations

7. Members are asked to:

a) note the matters set out in the Annual Audit report presented by Mazar's;

Reason: To ensure Members are aware of Mazar's progress in delivering their responsibilities as external auditors.

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Wards Affected: Not applicable



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Background Papers: None Annexes Annex A - Mazars Annual Audit Report